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Hope grows that hospital projects can start in fall

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

There's a good chance that construction of new hospital facilities can indeed begin by the end of this summer.

After a meeting with Ministry of Health officials on Friday in Toronto, the executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board says there's a real commitment on both sides to see the project moves ahead as quickly as possible.

"I thought the meeting went quite well," Foster Loucks said in an interview on Monday morning. "I don't want to be too optimistic, but we've established some time lines and we've got good support from the Ministry."

Instead of the projects moving ahead step by step by step, several aspects will be moving forward in tandem. As a result, the site work at the two sites should be able begin before the final tender is awarded, making it possible, it's hoped, to have the shells of the building up before the snow falls next winter.

Here's a general outline of the projects' timelines:

• **Right now:** The board is resubmitting its functional program and master plan. When first submitted, the board was acting on the recommendation that at the Hyland Crest site, a single-storey addition be built on the lower level as suggested by the consultants, Agnew Peckham Associates. That area, however, proved to be very swampy. Extendicare Canada, which presently has an agreement with the county to manage the senior citizens facility, said it believed the addition could be built on the higher level. Those plans are being developed by engineer Bill Mardimae of York

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What If You Tried It This Way?

During Saturday morning's program of the Haliburton Highlands Music Festival, adjudicator Elaine Kruse gave many performers, including 9-year-old Kathryn Berube of Minden, a few technical tips. Participants and parents alike were delighted with the way the adjudicator accentuated the positive and then simply gave a few suggestions for the next time.

Young performers shine at Music Festival

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

IT WAS IN the silence that you knew something very special was taking place.

This may seem an odd way to describe a celebration of music, but the hushed atmosphere at the Haliburton Legion on Friday, Saturday and Sunday was the best compliment you could give the more than 200 young people who took a deep breath, ignored their pounding hearts and let the music flow.

There was the silence as the musicians performed and then, interrupted only by the applause of the audience, took their seat in the front row as they waited for the other musicians in their class to shine. Their mouths might not have been moving, but you could watch them communicate their nervousness through their fluttering feet and their fingers playing silent notes while their brain went over each and every second of their performance. Often, retired music teacher Bill Gliddon would be sitting behind them, offering them a quiet and quick expression of congratulations.

Then he was silent as he looked over to the middle of the auditorium where a woman was bent over the score of music on her desk. Elaine Kruse's face was also a study in concentration as she quickly wrote down her comments about the performance she had just heard. A minute or two later, she'd look up, smile brightly and nod to Mr. Gliddon, who would then introduce the next performer.

Even the participants in the children's choir category on Friday knew the first-ever Haliburton Highlands Music Festival was no ordinary field-trip. Although they felt all the excitement of being with other young children, and knew their families were there to listen, some inner instinct told them this was not the time to chat and visit.

Row upon row, they sat there silently and expectantly until their music conductor called them up onto the low stage. They watched in amazement as she too waited for permission to start. Teachers are supposed to be the ones who give the orders! There must have been something extra, extra-ordinary about the red-headed woman in the centre of the room, because in front of her, their teacher had to be quiet and behave, too.

The Festival, which was sponsored by the Haliburton County Echo, was indeed a celebration of achievement, and whether or

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Book highlights war brides' experiences

REMEMBER BACK in 1995, when the Haliburton Legion celebrated the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, by hosting a luncheon for War Brides? At that lunch was Helen (Hall) Shewchuk, who was collecting the stories of British women who fell in love with Canadian soldiers and crossed the ocean to be with them after 1945. She's published the stories in a book called "If Kisses Were Roses". Jan Shipley brought us in a copy and the book evokes a lot of memories, funny and sad, of that big change in women's lives. If you would like a copy, it's $24.95 and you can send a money order or cheque to Helen Shewchuk, Box 45, Naughton, Ont. P0M 2M0.

St. John Ambulance will be running First Aid courses in Minden in March and April. Please see the classifieds for detailed information.

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

Every year, John MacLean, the assistant captain of the New Jersey Devils, gets his teammates to autograph 12 hockey sticks, which are then given to local referee Claude Parish to distribute, often as raffle prizes, in Minden and Haliburton. Don Finn of Minden extends his congratulations to MacLean and his wife Adrian, who had a healthy baby boy, John Carter MacLean, on February 27.

Chocolate truffles, cheesecake and crepes flambé. Smoked salmon, gallantine of duck and succulent sausages. Roast lamb, vegetable kabobs and flaming Ouzo. Hungry? This is what's on the menu for Spring Sizzle, a fundraising effort for the Friends of Sir Sandford Fleming College on March 19 at 7 p.m. at the Brealey Drive campus in Peterborough. Tickets are $45 each, and only a limited number are available. To make reservations call 705-749-5509 or 705-749-5558.

In this week's letters to the editor, Syd Birrell writes of the problems his wife Pamela will face if the oncology clinic at St. Joseph's Health Centre in Peterborough. Syd is the son of Primrose and Bruce Birrell of Soyers Lake, and we've mentioned him often in the pages of the Echo, first as his brother Tony's guardian, and also in his role as church organist and director of the Peterborough Singers. Pamela is also a professional musician and teacher, but she's had to stop working while she battles an aggressive form of cancer. Syd has also had to decrease his work load to take care of his 33-year-old wife and their three children. A Birrell Trust fund has been set up to help the family with their medical costs, care of Peggy McCracken, 291 Prince St., Peterborough, Ont. K9J 2A6.

March will be a busy month at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Along with all the regularly scheduled events and activities, there's: an Easter Craft Sale on March 29; the 1st Annual Talent and Music Night on March 22 at 8 p.m.; and a presentation by the health unit on proper food handling on March 7:30 a.m.. Don't forget the regular Art Club meetings every Friday morning at a cost of only $1 per person. For more information on how you can get involved with any of these programs, call 766-9968.

Canadians love their outdoors and the Toronto Sportsmen's Show from March 7 to 16 brings a campground packed with everything for an expected 180,000 enthusiasts to the Coliseum Building in Toronto. More than 600 manufacturers, retailers and outdoor groups meet at the show's wilderness site with the newest products and information in fishing, boating, camping, hiking, travel, outfitters, archer, wildlife art, decoy carvings, canoeing and kayaking, plus many show specials.

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Snowdon gives 60-day reprieve over calling in a commissioner

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Snowdon council has agreed to a compromise over whether to ask a provincial commissioner to overhaul the county's municipal structure.

Council will wait 60 days before it makes a final decision, and in those 60 days, it plans to tell other municipalities in the county why it believes such a move is necessary. It will then base its decision on the response.

"It's an olive leaf to see what we can do," says Reeve George Simmons, who was pleased to see representation from every local municipality except Lutterworth at Monday night's Snowdon council meeting. To him, that means county politicians are willing to talk seriously about problems and solutions.

"Everyone should realize we're in trouble," he says. "We can't put a bandage on the county's wounds because there are too many wounds."

Most county politicians are deeply worried about the repercussions of calling in the commissioner. The commissioner has the authority to look at a county's internal structure and make changes that cannot be challenged in court or on a political level.

Simmons, who has faced lots of pressure from his fellow county councillors, agrees that the county needs to retain its autonomy. "I've always said it would be sad if the people of Haliburton County couldn't choose their own destiny."

It was councillor Ross Rigney who suggested the reprieve.

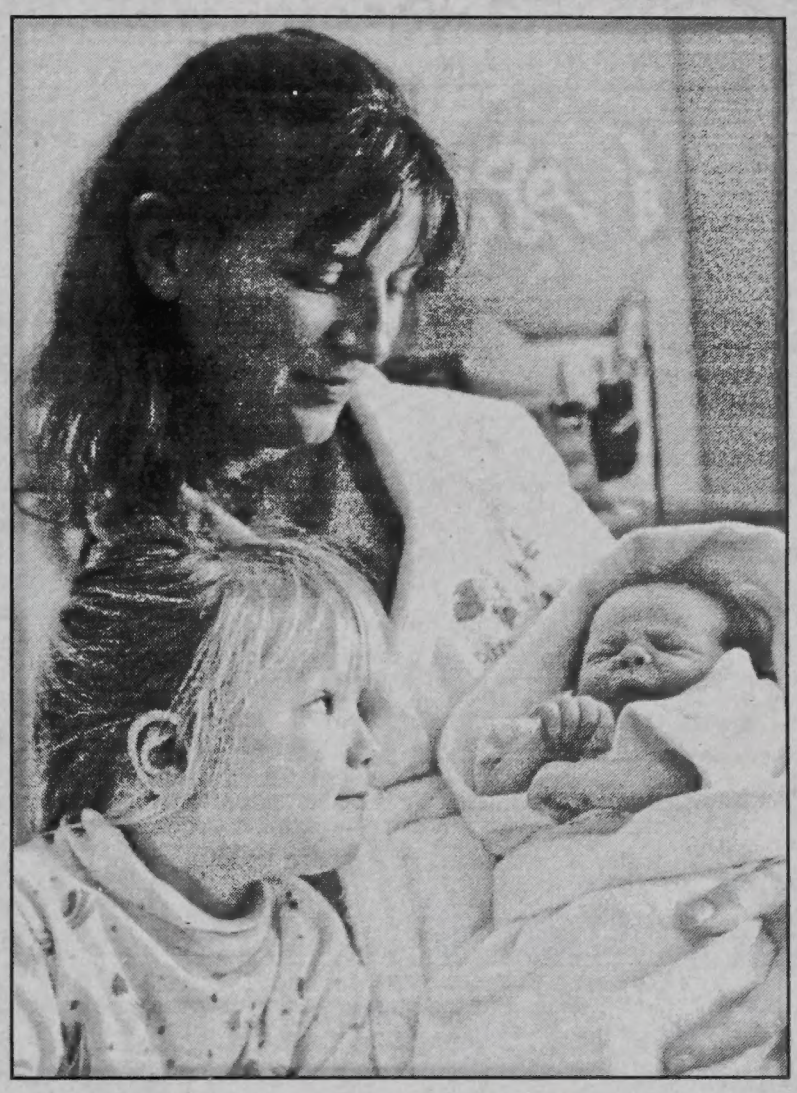
"I hope that if anything came of all this, it's that we looked over the edge and didn't like it," he said a few days later. "Maybe we got enough people mad to do something about it."

Rigney, who once served as the county's interim chief administrative officer, agrees with Simmons that the status quo is not acceptable and major changes must be made. "Our first position is to do whatever we have to do within the county but I can't sense any real commitment to any real change."

Some of the changes he's suggested are:

- issuing all tax bills through one office, not 10, using a computer system linking municipal offices. Every municipality is already using the same program "so there shouldn't be a big problem."
- co-ordinating fire coverage based on a property's proximity to a fire base, not which municipality the property's in. "A lot of our taxpayers are being forced to pay more insurance because of these arbitrary boundaries."

Snowdon has begun meeting with neighbouring municipalities about possible amalgamation or shared services.



THE NEW YEAR'S BABY – AT LAST:

Teresa Townsend of Wilberforce was surprised to learn that her fourth child, Victor Kenneth, was the 1997 New Year's Baby at the Haliburton Hospital. Victor's four-year-old sister Alishia, looking at her new brother, was surprised that there was only one Victor. She thought she'd get a baby brother, her brother Zachary would get a baby brother, AND her sister Audrina Lee would get a baby brother. After 23 hours of labour, Victor's mom thought one was enough. Born on February 24, Victor weighed 8 lbs., 7 oz..

The 1997 New Year's Baby – born in February!

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When Teresa Townsend was in the midst of labour, a nurse came into the delivery room of the Haliburton Hospital and told her she was about to become the mother of the New Year's baby.

"But it's February," Townsend replied.

To be exact, it was February 24 at 2:15 p.m. that the first 1997 baby in Haliburton County was born, weighing in at 8 lbs., 7 oz.. Other babies who live in the Highlands were born earlier in new year, but Victor Kenneth Townsend was the first to give his "hello-world-I'm-here" yell within the county's borders.

Even the delivery doctor was a bit surprised by the news. Dr. Norm Bottum told Townsend that up until now, he's never delivered the New Year's Baby. One of his patients was due January 2 and was supposed to have the honour, but her baby came a few days early.

For a baby who took so much work to come into this world – his mother's labour lasted 23 hours – Victor was sleeping very peacefully the night and day after he was born. Like his mother, he was getting his rest before returning home in Wilberforce to be with his dad, Kenneth, big sisters Audrina Lee, 10, and Alishia, 4, and his big brother Zachary, 6.

But although Victor can enjoy the fame of being the 1997 New Year's Baby, and although he was born in the last week of February, he doesn't set a record for being the latest New Year's Baby. Apparently, one year at the Haliburton Hospital, the first baby was born in March.

Correction

In last week's story about the county audit tenders, it was incorrectly reported that the quote from Dawson Gray Chartered Accountants three years ago "was almost twice as high as Humpage Taylor's."

The 1994 bid of Dawson Gray Chartered Accountants was $17,950, which included $1,900 in accounting services, resulting in a net audit tender price of $16,050. The difference of $1,050 represents a 7.7% difference between Dawson Gray's bid and that of Humpage, Taylor, McDonald's accepted bid of $14,900. There was one bid higher and one bid lower than these two figures.

The Echo apologizes to Dawson Gray Accountants for any misleading conclusions the article may have engendered.

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Facets of projects will work in tandem, not one after the other

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Development.

• **End of April:** Both the capital planning group and the operation division of the Ministry will have looked separately at the new plans and approved them.

• **End of May:** Detailed drawings will be developed.

• **Mid June:** The tender process for the site preparation – soil excavation and installing pilings – will be undertaken to take advantage of the short digging season.

• **July and August:** Site preparation work is done

• **End of July:** detailed drawings are completed and tender process for remainder of project begins

• **End of August:** Winning bid is awarded for construction of the 30-bed long-term care unit at Haliburton Hospital and the ambulatory care wing and renovations at Hyland Crest

• **September, October and November:** Shelling of the new structures will begin and, it's hoped, will be completed to the point that inside construction can continue throughout the winter months.

"That's the best case scenario – there is room for slippage," Loucks says. "However, by dividing the work into two pieces, we can demonstrate to the community that everything's a go and we're moving forward...

"The only caution the Ministry has is if there's any misunderstanding of the program elements. In other words, the scope of services at Hyland Crest."

At Thursday's HHHS board meeting, members stressed that the emergency department is not supposed to be on the scale of a downtown Toronto hospital. To the board, it's important that the department continue simply in its present usage: a walk-in clinic, stabilization, and observation.

There is also some concern about possible changes – enlargements – of room sizes for long-term care beds, which would push up the size of the addition in Haliburton and "our site is already a little cramped," Loucks said.

What about the money? Although it has approximately $1-million for the project already, the county needs an additional $3-million to meet its obligation of paying for one-third of the costs. The Ministry has previously said the money must be in the bank before construction can start. Extendicare has offered to lend the money and do the construction in exchange for a management agreement, but now that part of the tendering process won't begin until after the site preparation.

Loucks says "Extendicare is still prepared to help in one way or another. If we can't accept the money as a health services corporation, may we can do it indirectly through the county government or maybe we can use our new Foundation. Regardless, the county will still be needed in terms of a guarantee."

While a heavy snowfall blanketed the Highlands Thursday, Grade 1 students at Victoria Street School pulled down the blinds and pretended they were in a tropical paradise. Drawing tropical posters (top) are Samantha Kovach, Sammi Blanchard and Blake Patterson, while (left) Danny Van Nood, Karl Kadwell and Sarah Morgan make a topical centrepiece for their picnic lunch.

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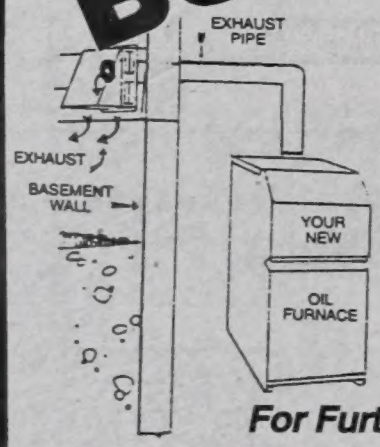

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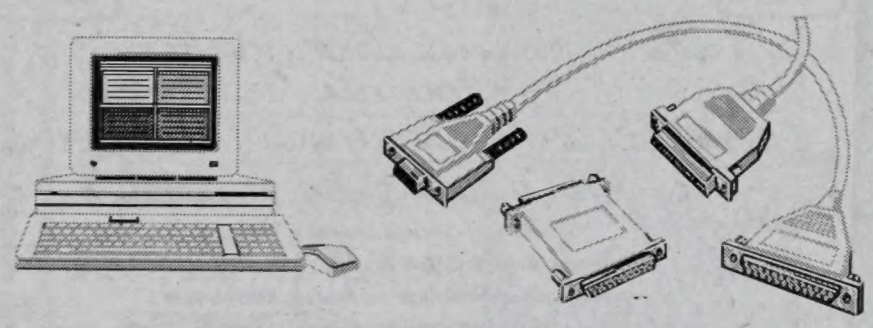

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Hospitals heading towards deficit

But health board won't really begin to worry until June

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The board which runs the two local hospitals is heading towards a possible deficit of $80,000, and while that's worrying, it's not time to panic, says the board's chairman.

Two things have taken the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board by surprise, said Hugh Nichol at Thursday's board meeting in Minden. One is that the costs of running the two hospitals did not decrease after the busier summer season. The other is that support staff was hired for executive director Foster Loucks when it became apparent the board could not totally rely on St. Joseph's Health Centre for the services.

Until last May, the hospitals were owned by St. Joseph's, which agreed to provide support services for free for two years. But as board members discovered, you get what you pay for and while St. Joseph's has helped with some administrative services, part-time help was required to get everything done at an acceptable speed.

"Yes we gambled," said Nichol, adding that it wasn't until recently that the board began receiving detailed financial statements from St. Joseph's. In the summer, it had appeared the board was ahead of budget. Since early winter, the deficit has been slowly but steadily growing. By the end of the fiscal year on March 31, Nichol expects it will be between $50,000 and $100,000.

While that number seems high, he noted that when St. Joseph's ran the hospitals they had deficits closer to $400,000.

Before the board makes a decision about what to do about the deficit, Nichol suggested waiting until the June annual general meeting, when an audited statement will be ready. As well, by that time, the board will know whether it's possible to go ahead with construction, and therefore benefit from increased efficiencies on the expanded sites, this fall.

The board can decide whether it wants to take money for the deficit from the capital grant and pay it back later.

However, if construction does not go ahead by September, Nichol painted a much bleaker picture of the board's economic future. Construction is vital if the board is to realize any operational savings and the province has announced its grant will be cut by 5.3%, or $130,000, next year. Board members say they were previously assured the cut would only be half that.

"Right now we're sitting on a deficit of $25,000," Nichol said of the prepared preliminary budget. "In order to achieve even a $25,000 target, a lot of things have to go right and be in place by April. We have not got a budget that will be easy to meet... If we don't get construction started this year, I feel this board will be faced with making decisions this board hoped it would not have to make. Without construction, we're not going to be able to run these services. I know that's not a pleasant discussion, but I want the issues out in the open...

"How long can you run a deficit for? You'll hit the wall when you have no money left in the bank to pay the bills... We need good discussions and suggestions, and that's true for the public, too."

"We are in trouble but let's not panic," said Ross Rabjohn in his report on the finance committee. Although running the province's two smallest hospitals does not give the board much room for manoeuvering, he said they are looking at ways to meet the funding cuts.

One issue is the top ups to doctors, which is especially of concern in Minden, where there are no community doctors who can work on call at the emergency department.

Now that the board's Foundation is in place and can offer tax receipts, perhaps the board could fundraise for minor capital purchases. Could the board change the way maintenance is provided? Reduce office staff at Haliburton Hospital? Enter into a supply purchasing agreement with Extendicare, which says it can cut the board's purchasing costs by up to 40%?

"How can hospitals operate if they're cut every year," said Peter Franzen, responding to the local cuts as well as those province-wide. "Pretty soon you start operating on virtually nothing?"

"We're trying as a region to just provide a basic service," said Nichol. "Five per cent (cut) to us is deadly. If we have two nurses but need 1.5, how do you cut half a nurse?"

"The theory behind what we're trying to do," said executive director Foster Loucks, "is that by having one umbrella agency, a little bit from each pot gives us enough for the administrative level."

Nichol responded that "if the Ministry of Health believes in integrated healthcare, I want blcok funding. (One grant for all services.) I could live with that because I think there'd be economies of scale."

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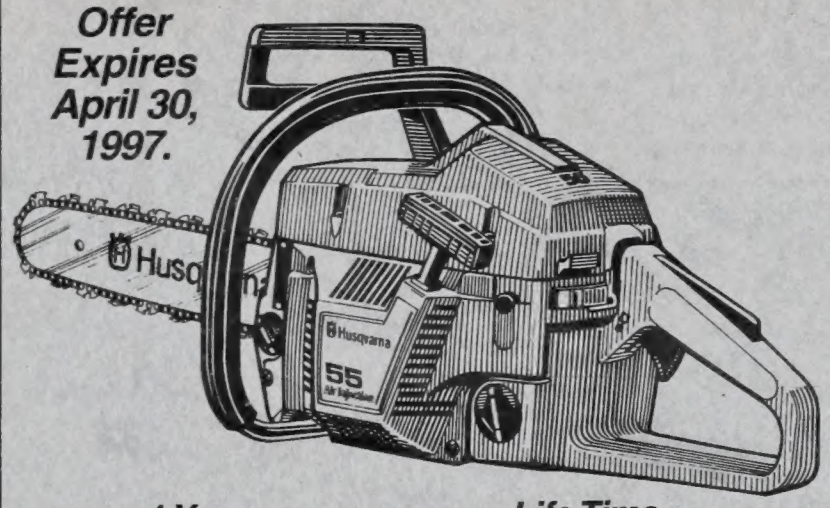

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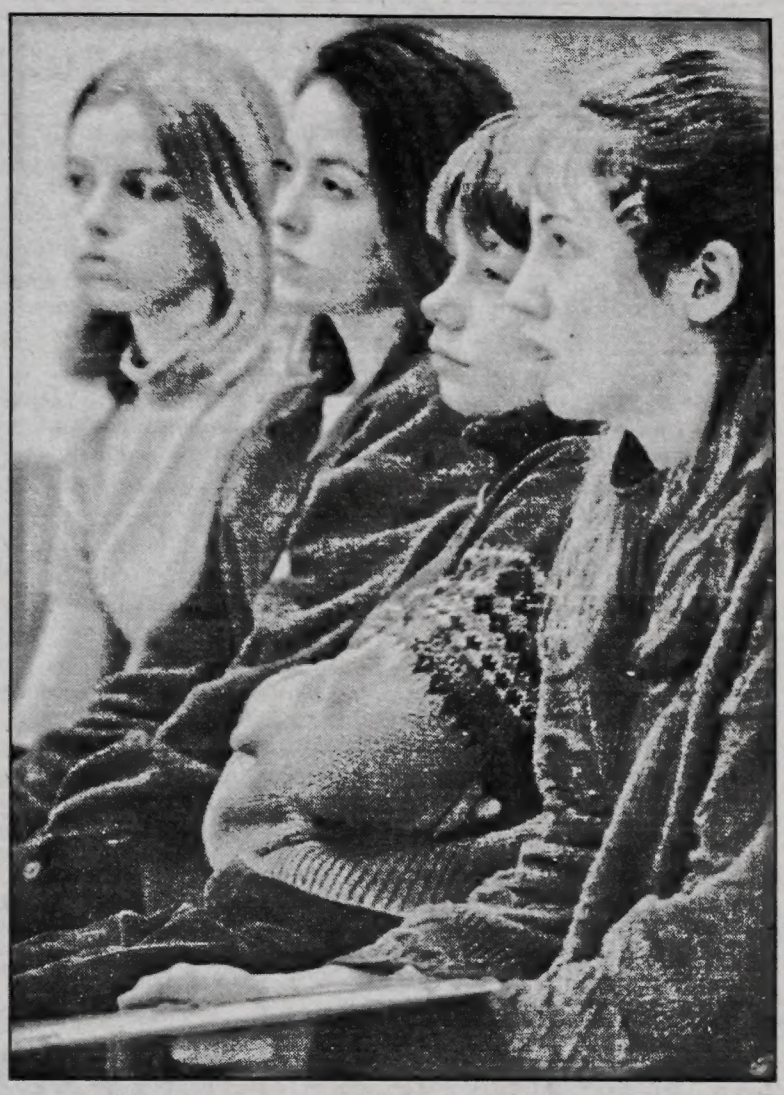
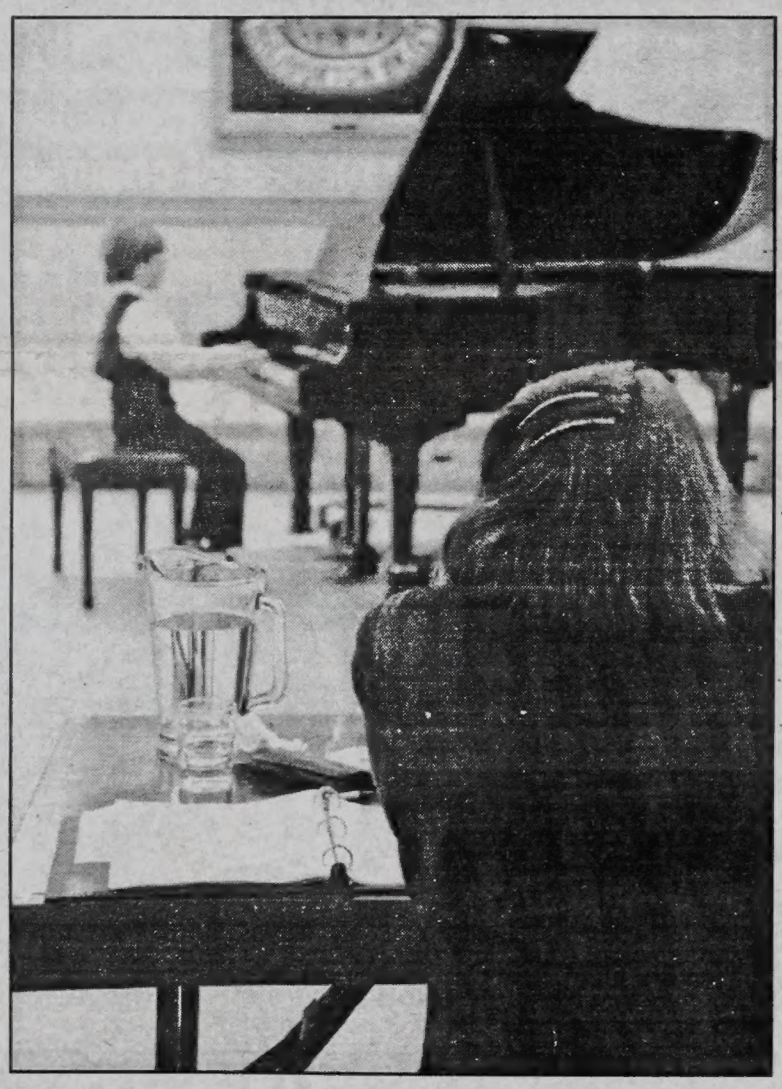


Clockwise from above: Loralyn Morgan and the Haliburton County Children's Choir; Laura Kennedy, Amy Brandon, Claire Duncombe and Tori Browne listen to adjudicator's comments; Jillian Denniston and Alex Wilson of the Victoria Street School Choir; Elaine Kruse pretends she's a "bad" choir member; Galen Bowman,Whitney Bekkema, Daniel Riley and Kristy Smith of the Wilberforce Choir; Mrs. Kruse's enthusiasm shows; and she listens to Myles Nicholson play "The Entertainer". Because of the nature event, Echo photographer Martha Perkins did not take pictures of the performances themsleves.



Photos by MARTHA PERKINS

Adjudicator's love of music turns each performance into "a gift"

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not Haliburton County can boast of the next Mozart or Gershwin, the three-day string of performances illustrated that the love of music is alive and flourishing. The county can feel enormous pride in the musical talents of some of its youngest residents.

As Mrs. Kruse said in her Saturday morning adjudication, "For every second you play, you have to put hundreds of hours of work in it." Through the comments which followed, the participants then got a sense of why it had been so important to spend all those hours practising, that there was something special to be able to play an instrument or sing. They were also amazed at what a science music was. Mrs. Kruse was able to tell them they hadn't lifted their foot up from the pedal high enough, or that those series of fourth notes were supposed to be "all connected." There was no hiding any mistakes from her.

But when you listened to Mrs. Kruse's comments, there were no mistakes, only places where a little more practising could make the piece even better.

"Because you do everything else so well, I think you can do this part better," she told one young pianist.

"You have a grace in playing. I can't imagine you doing anything clumsily. But sometimes you're too pastel – dazzle us," she told another.

"You can do what you want to a certain extent, but you have to do it from an artistic point of view, not convenience," she told a young man who had hurried his fingers along the keyboard.

Before she addressed a group of young teenaged pianists, she asked "what's more important than playing perfectly?" Most replied "having fun", but Mrs. Kruse answered her own question when she said "showing you understand the music. If you play all the right notes at all the right speed, that's not music. Music is art. You have to ask yourself, 'What does the music mean to me?'"

That's how she explained it Saturday morning to the older pianists. On the Friday afternoon, she took a totally different approach when she gave a few pointers to the choirs.

Let's pretend, she said, surprising the youngsters who were accustomed to pretending, but not with someone who was so tall and important. They had to pretend that they were about to perform and she was a "bad" choir member. She rushed up on stage, panting and trying to catch her breath as she explained why she was late. She whispered in her friend's ear. She waved at her parents. When the choir started singing, she hadn't been paying attention, and she made up for her lateness by being louder than everyone else.

The children giggled at her antics, but more importantly, they were able to tell her all the things she had done wrong. And when it came time to leave, they all clutched their ribbons with pride and enthusiasm.

As an adjudicator, Mrs. Kruse had a wonderful ability to make each participant feel that her comments were a gift in kind for the gift they had just given her – their music. Although in her career she has heard the songs countless times before, she made it seem that the music was delightfully fresh to her, as if her joy truly was spontaneous.

"The most remarkable thing is all of you did things that made me specially happy," she told the choirs. To the Victoria Street School students she said "you had to really concentrate didn't you? Well, pat yourself on the back." To the Zion United Church Youth Choir she said "do you get together and tell jokes? It was so evident. You had wonderful vitality – that means you have lots of energy." Wilberforce School students were told "I really like your wonderful enthusiasm" and the Haliburton County Children's Choir heard they had "wonderful authority."

The Festival was exceedingly lucky to get Mrs. Kruse. She is a workshop clinician for both the Royal Conservatory of Music and the Ontario registered Music Teachers' Association. Because of her extremely busy schedule, she will adjudicate only two festivals a year.

The second reason why the Festival was lucky to have her is that her personality so perfectly matched the organizers' expectations of the event. There are many music festivals where the participants are judged against each other. Here, the certificates were stamped either gold, silver or bronze and there was no grading. The participants who were asked to return for Sunday night's performance were chosen as examples of the music which had been presented over the previous two days.

"She's an exceptional adjudicator – and we've been to a lot of competitions," says Michael Browne as he and his wife Carole left with their daughter Tori, who had just performed in the Grades 4 and 5 piano solo category. Other adjudicators simply point out faults. Mrs. Kruse pointed out strengths and "room for improvement" parts of the performance.

"She did it in such a kind and caring way," Mr. Browne said. Tori smiled. "I wish we could have her at my exams."

These performers shared more than $3,200 in donated scholarships

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Board of education levy is 65¢ a student for legal battle

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton's school board has been asked to contribute nearly $1,300 to help pay for a possible constitutional court challenge over the province's plan to revamp education funding.

While the Ontario Public School Boards' Association hasn't yet formally launched a court case, it's gearing up for the battle.

On Friday the association told Education Minister John Snobelent it has directed its lawyers to prepare for legal action.

Last month OPSBA sent a request to each of its member boards, asking them to pay 60 cents per student into a Public Education Partnership Fund to cover the costs of litigation.

In Haliburton's case, the contribution request adds up to a total of $1,298.

Trustees here have already voted in favour of helping OPSBA.

In January they decided to give the association up to one dollar per student to mount the constitutional challenge, when called upon.

The province wants to remove the funding of education from residential property tax next January.

Under the plan, the government will fund education in return for municipalities taking on more costs for services such as welfare, policing and long-term healthcare.

But OPSBA argues the province will eliminate local control of education when it eliminates the ability of boards to raise their own funding.

In a letter to Haliburton's board, OPSBA president Lynn Peterson says, "The intent to completely remove education from the residential property tax base will render local communities helpless in addressing local needs and protecting students from future funding cuts that are clearly being contemplated."

She says several legal sources have advised that "such a move by the government is probably unconstitutional."

In a recent case, says Peterson, Supreme Court judges concluded the constitution, which protects the denominational rights of the Roman Catholic separate school system, gives the same rights to the public school system by extension.

"Our first choice is to work with the government on its proposed changes to education," Peterson says in a news release. "We certainly hope the government will take us seriously, however. We are seriously prepared to go to court if necessary."

NO NEED TO CHANGE: When you're dressed in your pajamas, it's tempting to curl up with a book. Here, Erin Kernohan and Ainsley Hoare, both Grade 10 students at HHSS, get in the spirit of pajama day at the high school by relaxing in the library.

Family Services hires its first executive director

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Family Services of Haliburton County has hired its first full-time executive director.

Fay Martin will begin working for the new agency on April 1.

"She likes to 'challenge and nurture' and I think she'll do both for everyone," says board chairman Lon Duncombe.

Fellow board member Eleanor Harrison says Martin is "innovative and creative", two skills which will be beneficial during the transition of services to the new board.

Martin, who has a Master's of Social Work, has almost completed her PhD.

The transition, which will merge Parent Support Services, Kinark Child and Family Services, Infant Stimulation and Case Co-ordination, is due to take place on July 1.

Martin has already met with workers in these agencies, and Harrison and Duncombe say staff are enthusiastic about working with her.

Family Services hopes its headquarters can be in the present Kinark building in Haliburton. The Children's Aid Society, which is not formally part of the transition but supportive of it, has already moved to the Kinark building. This is an important step, Harrison said at a recent county council meeting, because it's hoped the new service can provide "one-stop shopping" for families.

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Frustration grows as board of education spends its "busy month" with its hands tied

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

School board officials are growing increasingly frustrated at their inability to get on with "regular business" while they wait for the province to pass legislation that will radically alter Ontario's education system.

March is traditionally one of the board's busiest months as administrators and trustees put together a budget and begin to make important decisions on capital works, educational programming and human resources issues for the coming school year.

Add to that the board's desire to get moving on two multi-million-dollar construction projects, plus the need to prepare for next fall's amalgamation with Muskoka and Victoria County, and this March ought to be even busier than usual.

But instead, a strange quiet hangs in the air at the board office.

Administrators say their hands are tied until legislation to reform the education system becomes law and Queen's Park sets up a provincial Education Improvement Commission, as well as a local Education Improvement Committee, to oversee the transition.

The two bodies will have final say over all major board decisions leading up to the fall when the board's dismantled.

And until the provincial EIC and the local committee have been established, the board's power to take decisive action on most issues has been virtually frozen.

"I can't recall in our business when we've had a period of quiet such as this," said board director Brad Saunders. "Normally this is a very busy time, but we can't make any decisions right now because we don't know how the province is going to react.

"... It's highly unlikely that we'll be able to do much regular business before the end of March."

The Ministry of Education is currently holding public hearings into its plans to cut the number of school boards in half to 66 from 129 and take over the costs of education.

Following the hearings, scheduled to go on for about two more weeks, the province will try to pass its education reform legislation, also known as Bill 104.

Saunders speculated the province will likely attempt to push the Bill through by April 1 because "this government has built its whole house on that time frame."

It's also the date when nominees can officially declare their candidacy for school board seats or municipal council in November's municipal election.

The province has said a local committee will help the board[s] in Haliburton, Victoria and Mus[koka] make the transition to a single district school board.

However, board officials say they've been told little else about the committee and its powers.

"With respect to who will be on it (and) how they'll be appointed, nobody's got answers to that. If they do, they're sure not telling me," said Saunders.

Board chairwoman Cheryl Murdoch said she is frustrated by the lack of answers the province has provided, as well as the board's inability to take any concrete steps in the merger process.

"Probably we're sitting on hold until this spring when this local group starts up," she said.

The administrators of the three boards have all gotten together at separate meetings to exchange information about their systems.

As well Murdoch has met with her counte[rparts] but [have] c[ome] [to] [any] [conclusions].

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Editorial

The Festival's flip side

IN THIS WEEK'S ECHO, there are two stories about the same subject – music – and yet while one is cause for celebration, the other is cause for concern. How can that be?

The one story is about the hugely successful Haliburton Highlands Music Festival (sponsored by the Haliburton County Echo.) At Sunday night's Festival Highlights Concert, the auditorium at the Haliburton Legion was literally packed to the back of the hall. Most of the people were friends and relatives of the performers, but there was also lots of support from the community at large – people who simply wanted to acknowledge the efforts and commitment of all the young people who go through the drudgery of practising their scales so they can one day use those skills to create music.

There were two standing ovations. One was for the marvellous adjudicator, Elaine Kruse, whose own love of music was relayed to the young musicians through her enthusiasm and fine ear. The other was for the Echo, the primary sponsor of the event. Echo publisher Len Pizzey was also on the organizing committee with Jeanne Anthon, Lynn Duncombe, Lauren McInne, Tom Regina and Melissa Stephen[redacted] evident that many, many hours

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decisions in the next fe[redacted]
Concert audiences have been declining everywhere, from the largest cities to the smallest towns. Reasons include the wider choice of entertainment opportunities, the exceptionally high quality of stereo/CD systems and the wide availability of recorded music. All those factors are at play in Haliburton County, plus a few more.

It's always been surprising that although there are many young music students in the Highlands, as evidenced by the turnout at the Festival, few of them go to the concerts. And it's not because classical music is dying. If it can survive the Beatles, it can survive the Smashing Pumpkins. Beautiful music is timeless. However, at the local concerts, most of the people listening appreciatively to the talented performers are "older", and there's a critical absence of young audiences. And in an area where many older people go south for the winter, the loss of a potential audience is more acutely felt.

Why is it that young people who spend hours practising their instrument don't go to listen to someone whose practising has finally paid off? Who knows. It's probably because the stress is on the word young. As to the parents who willingly attended the festival but don't go to other concerts, it's very clear we have a community of highly supportive parents. The Festival was a celebration of their children's efforts more than a celebration of music.

Let's hope we don't lose the concert series, and if we do, that it's only for a year as audiences begin to realize what they're missing. And let's hope that at the end the next 12 months, the young instrumentalists will have another opportunity to show their county how much they've progressed.

M.P.

by Len Pizzey

Letters to the Editor

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[redacted]e devoted music teachers, the other organizers and volunteers, the parents, and most especially the musicians and vocalists themselves are to thank for this hugely successful festival. But Len Pizzey is the one who made it happen, and that matters very much.

No doubt some of us will never forget those three now-famous and immortal words that Mrs. Kruse said to almost every performing child: "I want more!"; and of course, we want more Haliburton Highlands Music Festivals - not better than this one, but just this good, if that's possible!

Thanks again, Len.

René Benoit,
Haliburton

Calling in Commissioner could spell county's end

To the Editor:

Further to your editorial re: Snowdon demanding that a Commissioner be called in to restructure our county, if you did not know that George Simmons is an honest, upstanding, intelligent, citizen, you would suspect that he is an agent for Al Leach when he shows up as the sole voice of dissent against staying as we are, when we are one of the most frugal county operations in Ontario.

Two things are totally unfair. One, that one person can call in a Commissioner, and, two, that the Commissioner is above the law. I used to believe that rule of law was the cornerstone of a democracy. Who's to say the Commissioner won't decide to create a new area the same as Snobelen's mega-school board or decide to dismember Haliburton and join the pieces to Victoria, Muskoka, and Hastings. Under our present provincial government, anything is possible. Three years hence when the next Liberal-N.D.P. coalition takes over, Haliburton could be gone forever.

Bill Valentine,
Lutterworth

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Hunting regulations should be overhauled

To the Editor:

Area hunters are currently faced with a multitude of issues that eventually have to be solved if the sport of hunting in our county is to survive. These include the unsatisfactory lottery setup for obtaining bull, cow or doe tags, the 1-900-number telephone charge for lottery entry, reduced game populations, and over-crowded hunting areas. Supposedly the MNR is trying to improve on the current system but chances are these changes will not address

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Festival fosters community spirit

ART AND ME

Marion J. Hare

WOW! THAT ONE word sums it up - the first Haliburton Highlands Music Festival this past Friday through Sunday. Intense effort combined with generous community support fueled by obvious enthusiasm created this result.

More than $3,000 was raised for scholarships. More than 90 individual students and 11 choirs and ensembles performed. Teachers, parents, and committee members contributed the essentials that enabled nearly 40 separate classes to be smoothly and promptly presented. The entire effort culminated in a Sunday evening Highlights Concert.

Without Len Pizzey's dream and his ability to see the Festival through to its conclusion none of those involved would now have the special memories that such an event creates. Without Lauren McInnes's inspired choice of adjudicator the special character of the festival would have been diminished.

The adjudicator Elaine Kruse's "performance" was a gem. At the end of each section, as if teaching a master class, she spoke individually to each student or group first complimenting them sincerely on some favorable aspect of the performance and then offering her comments for further development. All was done entertainingly for the audience and caringly for the fragile psyches of the performers.

Each performance received either a bronze, silver, or gold certificate. Each gold certificate holder was awarded a scholarship - even the very young - with instructions to use the award fittingly.

Substantial awards were granted to several obviously capable advanced students. Finding an appropriate use for his significant scholarship should not be a problem for Todd Hoare, the most advanced of the piano students, whose "Six Variations on Land of the Silver Birch by P. Gallant" received gold. To his technical virtuosity, evident in his Chopin Waltz, an obvious musicality was added in his second solo, thus demonstrating his ability to gain considerably from advanced study.

Too many skills to be furthered by her scholarship may be Melissa Anishnabi's delightful problem for she is both flutist and composer. It was her original flute duet "Black Dragon" that she, along with Mandy Fideau, performed. For this she received a gold certificate and a major scholarship.

Another performer, Ian MacKenzie, tuba player and advanced piano student, may likewise face a dilemma of where to spend his scholarship to best further his multi-faceted musical training.

Perhaps spending the money suitably would be more of a challenge for the parents of the younger gold certificate holders. The Duncombe family, for example, were faced with an excited Claire whose dream of a new skateboard was crushed by the reality that somehow that could not be considered an appropriate use.

Congratulations to all! Let's hope that next year there will be the Second Haliburton Highlands Music Festival. So even if you are not personally involved take time to see part of it. The first one was both an entertaining and informative event.

See more letters on pages 12, 13.

Christie Cowen of Haliburton shares with us these two photos from S.S. No. 1 Dysart, otherwise known as Kilteevock School. It was built in 1866 on the Old Donald Road opposite of where Haven of Rest Chapel is today. He believes it was called Erskine school, then Goulds, but unfortunately, he does not know the date or the names of the people in the photo of students.

Pic of the Past

Tag lottery needs to be replaced

FROM page 10

the real problems faced by us, the local hunter. What we need is a strategy that evenly distributes tags to each hunting gang, with tag numbers for any localized area based on the estimated herd count for that area.

The current system looks at large zones and heavily hunted areas within these zones have drastically reduced not only the herd population but the average age of these animals. I am calling upon all fellow hunters to stand up and demand that changes be made to improve and preserve hunting in our county. To give you some ideas as to what may be done to help this situation I propose the following types of changes.

1. Eliminate the lottery on issuing tags and replace it with a set number of hunters in a gang required per tag issued. The number of tags given for any area would be dependent on estimated herd populations for that area to be hunted.

2. Issue these tags to the hunting gang, with each person's name associated with this special licence. Restrict the licence to be valid only in the area that this gang hunts. This would prevent the current situation that exists where these tags get used on an illegally killed animal shot by another gang in a different area.

3. Implement a more detailed mapping of where each hunting gang will be hunting. This will prevent too many tags to be given for the same hunting area. It will also hopefully detour multiple gangs from over-hunting a common piece of bush.

4. Allow only area taxpayers to count towards a hunting gang's number of hunters when distributing any tags. We need to protect our county from being abused and over-hunted by people who take advantage of it. This sort of limitation would either force visiting hunters to join local hunting gangs or basically hunt somewhere else. Unfortunately, some locals depend on these visitors for revenues, but should profits be made by killing our animals?

5. And lastly, legally bind the entire membe of any hunting gang to be responsible for the illegal killing of any animal during the hunting season by any other member of the same gang. This would force each gang to become responsible for their actions, resulting in less illegal kills and better conservation.

Special privileges would have to be given to property owners who like to hunt by themselves. For example, if the area they planned on hunting in was issuing one doe tag for every four hunters, this single hunter should be issued a doe tag every fourth year.

I need your help in protecting our animals, improving the current licensing setup, and preserving our area's hunting which is possibly the best hunting region in Ontario. Send your recommendations and comments to your local paper and let people know of what you think! There is strength in numbers.

Jeff Hancock,
Irondale, Ontario

P.S. If we generate enough interest in the future of local hunting, hopefully the people in positions to make changes will take action.

Pic of the Past photo ruins reader's attempt to hide age

To the Editor:

Re: Pic of the Past, Mrs. Dart's Grade 1 class, published February 18, 1997.

Thank you so much for publishing this picture in your publication. There have been several occasions in my life when I thought it would be very cool to have had newspaper photographers present. Finally, on February 20, 1997, my dear, devoted, loving sister was kind enough to fax me a copy of your "Pic of the Past" of February 18. She expressed some delight in the fact that the "whole town" had seen the photo.

As I have been very successful in living in complete denial about my age as well as successfully deluding others, I was somewhat disturbed at my sister's seemingly happy attitude regarding the situation (I make her tell strangers she's the older one). Later that evening, I called my mother to wish her a happy birthday, only to find both of my parents enjoying a good laugh about said photo. Mom also informed that she had phoned everyone she knows to have them save a copy of this "Pic of the Past". (Mom says it's nothing to be ashamed of 'cuz I "was so cute").

I have not lived in the Haliburton area for quite some time, although I have enjoyed some great weekends and vacations in your community (all of which involved lying about my actual date of birth). However, I will be unable to visit there anymore unless I wear a disguise.

M. Tammerand,
A Member of Mrs. Dart's Class,
Halton

Moving between two different worlds

DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch

SALLY HEARD CROWS this morning. Like a memory stirred from childhood, their calls bounced across the tree tops on a warm southern breeze. Her mother had told her crows always meant spring was on its way. They would sit, fat and loud, on top of the maples that lined her street and she would watch them through the dripping icicles framing her bedroom window.

Whistling to the dog, Sally donned a light jacket, rubberized boots and headed out for a walk. It was like walking on a wet hockey rink and she tried to pick spots on the road that still held the odd smear of sand. Rain had fallen all night and now the world continued to drip. Max the dog was having an equally difficult time keeping his balance. Once he lost his footing and for a moment sprawled on the ice, his four legs splayed like points on a compass.

Sally kept a sharp eye for vehicles since neither they nor she and Max would have much manoeuvrability under these conditions. Not that there was much chance of anyone else being around yet. Few cars had passed her house on Friday night and the far shore of the lake had been mostly dark the night before. That would change come May, Sally knew. She enjoyed this time. It was quiet. The lake, the road, the trees - even the crows; they felt like hers right now.

There was a whoosh overhead. The wind was swaying the top branches of the beech and maples in the bush that pushed to the road's edges. A clump of white pine made a softer whisper and the balsam bowed and waved as she moved by. It was a wonderfully peaceful world she and Max slipped through this morning. The promise of longer days and warmer winds yet to come produced a tingle of optimism and anticipation.

Only days before, Sally and Max had been in the city, running errands and enjoying the excitement of that multi-cultural bustle. No snow there, but still spring was in the air. The wind funnelled between King Street's office towers was less biting. There were plenty of cats strolling across soggy lawns and ambling over sidewalks.

Sally had felt a little foolish in her winter boots and heavy coat but when she had left home, a snow storm had been in progress. Here, people were wearing street shoes, their gloveless hands hailing taxis or carrying bags from the corner deli. It was a different world. Sitting in the tiny bistro with her cappuccino, it was difficult to imagine a world of freezing rain warnings, dodging deer and snowmobiles jumping open water. Only in Canada, she thought.

Coming home from the city had further illustrated the two worlds she sometimes navigated with caution. Driving north had been relaxing. The highway had not even been damp, and Sally had cranked up the radio on her favourite station, singing along as she sped effortlessly toward bed and an early retiring. Then she hit Coboconk and everything changed.

Suddenly there was snow, slush, white and black ice on the road and the few cars coming toward her were moving at a snail's pace. The trip turned cautious, with every muscle on high alert and the radio turned down to a background murmur.

At Carnarvon, Sally's headlights picked up two sets of eyes glowing in the distance. Already moving at half the usual speed, she slowed further and peered through the darkness. A deer was bouncing down the highway followed by a dog in hot pursuit. Sally stopped completely and dimmed her lights as the deer headed straight toward her car. At the last moment it shifted direction slightly, almost brushing past her. For a rivetting second, Sally's glance locked onto its image. The wild-eyed expression, the tongue hanging out one side of its gasping mouth. Then it was past. From highway 401 to highway 118 in three hours. Welcome home.

Smoke-free curling event heartening to see

The following letter was sent to the Monmouth Curling Club:

To Whom It May Concern:

Congratulations on successfully hosting your "First Annual Smoke-Free Bonspiel". It is heartening to see organizers such as yourselves taking up the fight against tobacco. And it is a credit to your sponsors that they would endorse a smoke-free event, perhaps helping to introduce a tradition that will grow larger each year. Who knows, perhaps the Canadian Brier will some day move to Wilberforce in order to participate in sport without smoke.

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Healthcare funding cuts have steep human cost

To the Editor:

I do not know how happy were the faces of the people who received Canadian flags from Sheila Copps' $22-million program or of those who viewed the $1.6-million "Voice of Fire" painting. But I do know how sad was the face of a cancer patient on hearing that Peterborough cancer clinic is threatened with closure.

Is anyone in the budget department aware of what cancer and its treatment involves?

My wife Pamela is 33-years-old, a mother of three children under five and is undergoing six month's of chemotherapy in an attempt to destroy a highly aggressive breast cancer that was discovered in November, 1996. The treatment consists of intravenous injections on the first day of the first two weeks of each month and a daily dose for the same two weeks. Pamela loses about 10 pounds during the treatments and must gain it back during each "two weeks off".

Pamela is an energetic, optimistic, courageous woman who knows she has everything to live for and is going to do everything she can to beat the disease. We have a wide network of support from our families, our friends, the oncology staff and the Peterborough community. So there is much on our side, but fighting cancer takes everything that we've got.

The chemotherapy makes Pamela so ill that during the treatment cycle, she is too weak to get up, to answer the telephone herself, to have her children around her. Chemotherapy produces incredible nausea which other drugs only partially control. Her intestines are left inflamed and give her severe pain. She must be very careful of exposure to infection.

After her second cycle, Pamela had great difficulty returning for further treatment. Even with her guts and determination, it was all she could do to get through another round of suffering. We have three more to go.

Now comes the news that if she wants to keep going, she will simply hop in the car and make a five-hour round trip to Kingston.

Quite simply, Pamela doesn't think she can cope with the Kingston scenario. She is worried about the effects of the drugs and the travelling combined, about the problem of child care, about the problem of having no one on call close in the event of emergencies, about the further impact on our self-employed situation.

The Peterborough oncology unit serves an area population of some 240,000 people, (including Haliburton County.) The clinic is under-funded and stretched to the limit. The percentage of Canadians contracting cancer is rising annually. How can a responsible government even consider closing this unit.

Why is it that our priorities focus on the smiles of a flag waver or an art lover at the expense of a cancer patient? Is there not a more intelligent, more humane, more Canadian solution to the dilemma of public debt than closing the cancer clinic at St. Joseph's Hospital in Peterborough?

Sydney Birrell,
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A travel adventure to remember

To the Editor:

An adventure to remember for many years to come is only a small way we can describe our recent "find" while spending time in your Haliburton region.

Professionalism, social intelligence and an obvious belief in the antebellum ways of the "good life" describes Eric Edwards and his son Joel from "Tall Pines Excursions", one of your best kept secrets up there.

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Wilberforce Rockets

Atoms move to 'A' final

by SUE CLARKSON & COACH DAVIDSON

February 16 the Rocket Atoms played Manvers in an excellent end-to-end game with many opportunities to score by both teams. Matt Davidson was stellar in net and Manvers never got a second chance to score due to the defensive efforts of Gavin Swan, Paul Hutchinson, Terry Bannon and Matt Reil. Manvers netted a power play goal in the second, but with fourteen seconds remaining Brandon Logan put one away for Wilberforce. Score: Rockets 1, Manvers 1.

In their next game, the Rockets were locked in low gear for the first period, while Cannington was in overdrive. Matt D. stopped 19 of 20 shots to keep the team in the game. Awesome! The Rockets tallied in the final two, netting four goals in each, while the defence shut Cannington down. Goals scored: Brandon (three), Darren Mantifel (two), Matt R., Andy Sayers and Mitchell Clarkson. Assists from: Gavin, Josh MacKay, Darren, Brandon and Dan Vanier. Score: Rockets 8, Cannington 1. The Rockets' play-off record stands at 3W-1L-2T, moving them to the 'A' final - a best-of-five series with Fenelon Falls for top spot in Tri-County. You're unbelievable!

Players: Anchorman - Matt the 'Cat' Davidson on the prowl at the edge of his crease, letting little by. Defence: Matthew Schneidereil, Gavin Swaninov, Ter-Ray Bourquen and Paul Hutchinovski who work hard to backcheck, keep the slot clear, and add offence with point shots and jumping into the rush when needed. Up front is centreman Andy Sayerelli screening the goaltender as much as possible, or Dan Vanerixon shadowing the opposition's best scorers. Scoring punch on wing: Josh MessiKay, Mendell Clarkson, Brandon Logahan and Darren Yzermantifel.

The Rockets have come this far on total team effort. Good luck!

Lightning strikes Bantams twice

by SUE CLARKSON

The Bantam Rockets and Mariposa Lightning faced off recently. After much Rocket pressure Jason Woodcox opened the scoring, assisted by Ricky Huffman. Goaltender, Tyler Stire, was called upon early, making several excellent saves. In the second, Jason Kemp ripped a slap shot from the point, deflected in by Adam Clarkson. Many more goals could have been scored if not for the Lightning netminder.

The Lightning inched their way forward, as penalties got in the way of any Rocket offence. Score: Mariposa 4, Rockets 2.

The Bantams hosted Lindsay last Friday starting almost an hour after the 9:30 scheduled time. The Rockets got on the scoreboard first when Adam tipped one in on a shot from Sean Critch and Garrett Kemp. Corby Semple netted the second marker with a slap shot from the point, assisted by Shane Parks. In the second, Ron Pettit put one between the pipes, assisted by Brent Bolger with Shane scoring on a slap shot on a pass from Brent. Lindsay kept the Rockets on their toes, coming close to tying twice and succeeding with thirteen seconds left in the second. After the break (now 11:00 p.m.), Ricky scored the game winner, thanks to a pass out of the corner from Ian Brown. Score: Rockets 5, Lindsay 4, a well deserved win.

Just after noon the following day, the Rockets faced off with Mariposa once again. Though the score was tied at zero at the end of the first, the Rockets died an early death thanks to far too many penalties - no doubt caused from being too tired to do their job. All jets were cooled for the second and third as the Lightning struck. Score: Mariposa 5, Rockets 0.

Minor Tyke Huskies go 3 for 3 on weekend

A busy three-game weekend for the Minor Tyke Huskies started off with a trip to Manvers on Friday night. The Huskies came out fast and furious and scored the first goal of the game when James Roberts made good on a breakaway pass from Nelson Evans. Roberts added a second goal late in the first when he tipped in a bullet from Zack Prenger. The Manvers Mustangs seemed to get a new life in the second and the Huskies let up a bit and that's when the star of the game, our goalie Lane (The Commuter Train) Schmid, stood out. We call him that because like the train he makes frequent stops. Manvers finally scored to cut the lead in half but Roberts got the hat trick to restore the cushion and things looked good. The third period, the Mustangs were relentless and just kept coming and despite the sensational goaltending of Schmid they overtook the Huskies to win 4 - 3.

Game two was at home Saturday morning against Bobcaygeon and the Huskies showed no signs of jet lag after getting in late from Manvers. James Roberts opened the scoring halfway through the first after the Huskies dominated the zone, Luke Mayhew kept the puck inside the blue line and passed it to Nelson Evans who patiently waited for Roberts to get open and fed him a perfect pass that he deposited into the net. Twelve seconds later, Mac Trueman got the puck from the face-off and danced into the Caygeon zone, fired one that the goalie blocked, but James Roberts got the rebound and it was 2 - 0 Huskies. The second period saw more of the same with the Huskies dominating all aspects of the game. Robert Lowes was playing his position when Nelson Evans passed the puck to him and he fired one into the net. One minute later the roles were reversed when Lowes sent the puck to Nelson Evans who's quick release made it 4 - 0. Chase Thurston was perfect between the pipes until late in the third when the visitors put some pressure on and banged in a couple. Final score was 4 - 2 Huskies.

Game 3 was at home on Sunday against Ops and it was a nail-biter. Nelson Evans got things started when Mackenzie Trueman set him up in front of the Ops netminder and Evans beat him clean. Both teams went back and forth and the Huskies goaltender David Pereko was outstanding keeping the Ops boys off the scoreboard. Early in the third, Lane Schmid made a good play at the blue line to keep the puck in and got it to Jesse Woodward who passed it to Robert Lowes and he fired a hard shot past the Ops goalie. The Huskies' third goal came when Jesse Stoughton, with hard work and determination, got the puck out of his zone and to Mac Trueman who went all the way down the ice and scored a beauty. Final score: 3 - 0 Huskies, all in all a pretty good weekend.

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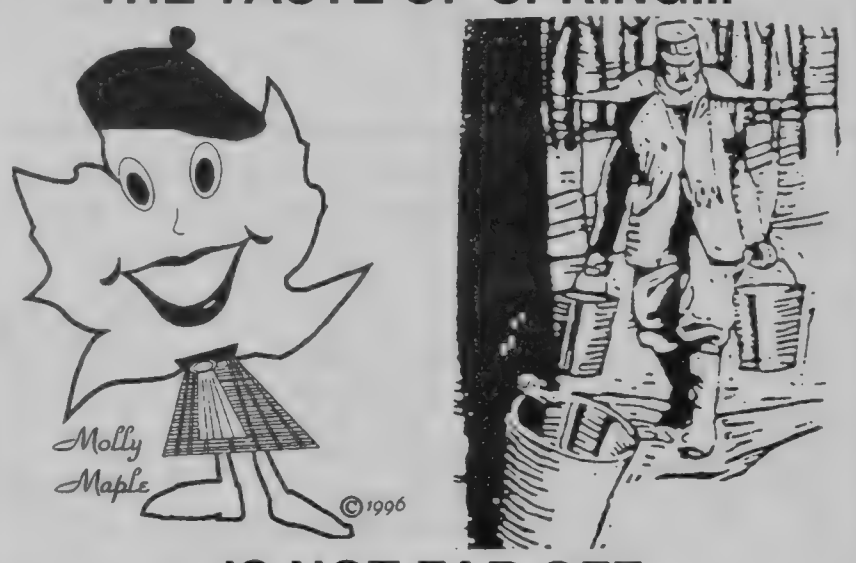

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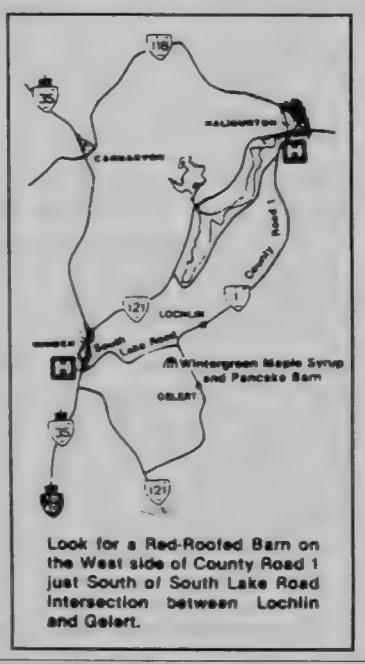

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OMHA Atom Huskies grab road wins

by BRYAN BROWN

After being eliminated from their play-downs by Millbrook, the OMHA Atom Huskies travelled to Sundridge on February 15 for a pair of exhibition games. In their first game against the Almaguin Ice Hawks, Haliburton opened the scoring with Joel Cooper's wrist shot. Joey Sisson and Norm Smith drew the assists. After Almaguin had tied the score the Huskies again took the lead when Cooper scored his second of the game by deflecting in Matt Manary's point shot.

The Huskies extended their lead when Joey Sisson picked up the rebound of Josh Brown's point shot. Sisson made it 4 - 1 just over four minutes later when his pass from the right corner ended up in the Almaguin net. After Almaguin made it 4 - 3, 31 seconds into the third, the Huskies regained a two-goal lead with Sisson taking a neat pass from Matt Manary.

Haliburton's final goal of the game came as a result of Joel Cooper sending Ross Gerry in on a short-handed breakaway. Almaguin closed out the game's scoring with just two seconds remaining on the clock. The final score read 6 - 4 for the Huskies, not bad for a team that was only able to field nine skaters.

In their second game the Huskies faced off against East Nipissing (Astoriaville). In a rather slow-paced first period the Huskies scored the only goal on their only shot, a beautiful deke by Ross Gerry on a breakaway set-up from Norm Smith.

After East Nipissing tied the score, the Huskies seemed to get a wake-up call and responded with four unanswered goals. First it was Joel Cooper from Matt Manary, then Brandon Bowman chipped in Jeremy Miscio's rebound; Shawn McInnes also assisted. Joel Cooper's second of the game from Joey Sisson made it 4 - 1 and Josh Brown from Shawn McInnes and Brandon had the Huskies ahead by four.

Late in the second East Nipissing made it 5 - 2 before the Huskies went ahead 7 - 2 on goals by Ross Gerry from Joel Cooper and Joey Sisson and Jeremy Miscio, unassisted. East Nipissing scored the game's final goal but it would be Haliburton who would be the victor. Final score: Haliburton 7, East Nipissing.3.

The next action for the Huskies will be on the road with games in Huntsville and Lindsay.

MEDICAL STAFF ANSWER THE CALL: Haliburton doctors and nurses faced-off on Saturday to raise funds for Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. Above, referees help tie up Dr. Brian Holowachuck to prevent him from doing any more damage for the Marauders, as Debbie Watson and Nancy Roberts of the Nightingales look on. At right, Dr. Holowachuck and Debbie Watson battle for the puck as Dr. Kristi Gammon and Janet Bottum wait in the wings.

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Spring skiing requires greater versatility

by BLAKE PATON

NORDIC NOTES

March is here, and that means that this is your last chance to ski this winter, so don't miss a minute of the great trails we have in this county. There are many adaptations to be made for spring conditions.

First, if you ski classic, don't be afraid to use klister. It can be a bit messy, but it gives great results. Also, for longer tours you may wish to use waxless skis on sunny days.

Most fine days will begin cool with an icy track, but the temperature will warm and the track will soften. Choose your time of day for skiing carefully, if you have the option. Never judge the conditions too hastily s they can change from abysmal to wonderful very quickly.

Wooden skis feel great under the foot on icy March mornings, plus they hold was well, so if your woodies are languishing in the garage, consider bringing them out for a little jaunt. This also should answer a question posed to me by a gentleman last week: "Yes, there is still a place for wooden skis in my quiver."

Spring is a great time to go skate skiing, too, because these skis are unaffected by the changing conditions. Expect to have slow skis on wet slushy snow, but don't pressure yourself and enjoy the fine weather.

Perhaps the best skiing can be had off the beaten track in the back-country. Often a crust sets-up on the snow, making travel through the bush very easy, so this is a great time of year to tour areas which might be too remote or too snowy in mid-winter.

Furthermore, the warmer night-time temperatures make winter camping an option for your March-break vacation. Provincial parks such as Killarney and Algonquin are becoming well-known for their fine back-country touring opportunities, and there's no finer time than March. Skiers still can't understand why people are drawn south to hot, bug-infested tropical islands at this time of year.

Finally, do make sure you ski with friends this month. Haliburton Ski Club events are ongoing (the mid-week touring group skied the Frost Centre last week with 11 in attendance). Also, the camaraderie of the trail is always lighter and more wistful near the season's end. Soon we too will live in a hot, bug-infested land.

See more sports on Page 19.

County Bowling Centre league results

The following are the recent league results of the County Bowling Centre in Minden:

Monday Evening Mixed, February 24:

Men: High Average - Scott Moore, 223; High Single (282), High Single HC (301), High Triple (747), High Triple HC (804) - Ron Robinson. Women: High Average (205) and High Triple (589) - Marlene Robinson, 205; High Single (247), High Single HC (297) and High Triple HC (697) - Brenda Doiron.

Tuesday Night Mixed, February 25:

Men: High Average (218) and High Single (237) - Scott Moore; High Single HC (262), High Triple (645) and High Triple HC (726) - Norm Goldenberg. Women: High Average - Cathy Snell, 203; High Single (237), High Single HC (287), High Triple (561) and High Triple HC (711) - Alice Balcombe.

Tuesday Seniors, February 25:

Men: High Average (205) and High Single (234) - Walter Stegmaier; High Single HC (303) and High Triple HC (742) - Ed Fox; High Triple - Bob Bullen, 601. Women: High Average (180), High Single (266), High Single HC (304), High Triple (664) - Eleanor Young; High Triple HC - Pat Stegmaier, 784.

Thursday Seniors, February 27:

Men: High Average - Ray Lymer, 192; High Single (239) and High Single HC (285) - Lloyd Boskett; High Triple - Jerry Warren, 596; High Triple HC - John Mackey, 740. Women: High Average - Edith Alzner, 172; High Single (249) and High Single HC (304) - Millie Boskett; High Triple - Eleanor Lymer, 538; High Triple HC - Shirley Howe, 744.

636 Mixed, March 1:

Men: High Average (199) and High Triple (532) - Fred Knight; High Single (189), High Single HC (260) and High Triple HC (701) - Frank Sargent. Women: High Average - Georgina Parkes, 163; High Single (220), High Single HC (283), and High Triple (505) - Vina Dredge; High Triple HC - Joanne Brown, 712.

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Board of education reacts to Stanhope levy with its own levy

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Stanhope's attempt to recoup some of its administrative costs for collecting taxes on behalf of the school board won't end up saving the municipality's taxpayers a penny.

The board plans to simply add an amount equal to the collection fee to Stanhope's education levy, effectively cancelling out any savings the municipality had hoped to generate.

In a move questioned by county councillors, Stanhope decided last month to charge the school board and the county one per cent of the total levy it collects on their behalf to help cover its administrative costs.

In the board's case, the tax collection fee would add up to roughly $15,000.

But the same legislation that allows a municipality to charge its transfer partners a fee for service also gives the board the power to add that fee to its levy for that municipality, said the board's business administrator, Jim Bradley.

That stops the municipality from downloading its costs onto the other municipalities in the county.

"If (Stanhope's) levy is $1.5-million, then their levy will be $1.5-million, plus the $15,000," Bradley said.

While Stanhope taxpayers will be asked to cover $15,000 less in overall municipal taxes, their education taxes will go up by the exact same amount.

In the end the whole exercise won't save anybody any money, but on paper it will look as though Stanhope is spending less and the school board more.

"It's gamesmanship, in my opinion, trying to make the municipality look good and the school board look bad," said Bradley.

This will be the first and last time Stanhope will be able to charge the board for tax collection. In January, the province plans to take over education funding and remove it from property taxes.

County council questions Stanhope's move, too

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Stanhope's decision to charge the county and school board a fee for collecting property taxes on their behalf received a polite but very cool reception at the county council table.

"Isn't it cutting our own throats?" asked Bicroft Reeve Bill Howe at February's meeting. "Who pays in the long run? We do. It's regressive."

Stanhope will charge the county a $2,861 fee, which is one percent of the county's levy to Stanhope.

As Sherborne et al Reeve Ross Rabjohn noted, that means the fee will increase the county's budget by the same amount, and the county gets its money by levying municipalities, including Stanhope.

But Stanhope Deputy-reeve Eleanor Harrison says it won't end up costing the ratepayers of Stanhope any more money because the municipality will be keeping a larger portion of tax revenue.

There's the rub. While not giving a political comment on Stanhope's decision, county clerk Les Shepherd says that in other areas where the fee has been implemented, there's a concern that if one municipality in a county does it, all municipalities should do it or else they'll be subsidizing those who charge the fee.

He said another complaint is that the fee is not based on the cost of the service, or a percentage of its costs for preparing and mailing out property tax bills.

Last year, Stanhope spent $26,000 on administrative expenses related to collecting and processing taxes. By charging the county and board of education a fee, Stanhope will recoup roughly $18,000.

LIGHTS, CAMERA!: Gelert resident George Farrell, right, interviews Foster Loucks at the Haliburton Hospital for a documentary which aired on The Disability Network on Saturday.

Documentary offers slice of Highlands life

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

It can be hard enough getting around in a city if you're a person with physical disabilities.

But out in the country in small places like Haliburton County where there are few sidewalks for wheelchairs to travel on, no public transport and long distances between home and just about everywhere else, the disabled can face a whole different level of hardship.

So why would anyone with a disability choose to live in a small, rural town when they can find so many more services and conveniences in the city?

That's the question Gelert resident George Farrell set out to answer in a TV documentary he produced and directed, based on interviews with disabled people in the Highlands.

And Farrell found out people with disabilities want to be here for many of the same reasons other former city dwellers have packed their bags and headed to the country — less stress, greater safety and a stronger community atmosphere.

"The services that you may not get up here are more than compensated for by the people and the sense of community," says Farrell, whose documentary aired on Saturday on a CBC program called The Disability Network.

Like all staff and crew at The Disability Network, Farrell himself has a disability. He used to work as a set decorator and props organizer on the popular CBC show "Road to Avonlea," but was badly injured when he fell on the set.

Serious neck and shoulder injuries prevented him from continuing on the show.

The Worker's Compensation Board told him about The Disability Network and he has been able to turn his previous TV experience into a new career making documentaries.

Snowmobiler dies after crashing into Kashagawigamog dock

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

A Drag Lake cottager was killed Saturday evening when his snowmobile crashed into a dock on the north shore of Lake Kashagawigamog in heavy fog.

Philip Maynard, 36, of Whitby, was reportedly leading three other snowmobilers through dense fog and darkness at about 8:30 p.m. when he travelled off the lake and hit a dock on the shoreline.

Maynard was thrown from his machine and slammed into the dock, sustaining fatal injuries.

The accident happened close to the Northern Eagle Trailer Park, about 10 kilometres east of Minden on the north side of the lake.

Minden OPP say the group of snowmobiles was heading northeast when the accident took place.

"He was far enough ahead that when he hit the dock the others had time to stop," said Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan.

Dysart firefighters used a rescue sleigh to transport Maynard to an ambulance that was waiting nearby. He was rushed to Minden Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Maynard, who ran a catering truck business, was married but had no children, a friend said.

Minden OPP are continuing their investigation.

Saturday's mild temperatures and rain led to thick fog and poor visibility in the evening.

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Concert series ponders its future after provincial funding deeply cut

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

When the curtain closes on this Sunday's season finale of the Haliburton Highlands Concert Series, it could be a long time before it opens again — if at all.

Not only has the concert series seen its provincial funding cut deeply over than past couple of years, but also it has watched its revenues decline with shrinking audiences

The organizing committee is not sure whether it will have the finances to line up another concert series for the 1997-98 season.

"We've picked out a program already for next year. We just don't know if we can swing it," said president Ted Carson.

For the past 17 years the concert series has brought high-caliber musicians to the Highlands in three annual performances.

Usually the musicians gave classical performances, but there were also cabarets and plays, including the acclaimed Wingfield Trilogy.

But over the past two years the Ontario Arts Council has drastically reduced its funding to the program and the organizing committee is expecting more of the same for the year ahead.

"Either it will be cut back quite a bit or it will be gone completely," said Carson.

The committee is still trying to find out the exact details of its funding situation from the OAC, he said.

At the same time as the grants have declined, attendance has also dropped.

"The audience doesn't seem to be getting any bigger. That's the problem," said Carson. "We're getting some really top-notch performances, but the audiences don't seem to be coming out."

The organizing committee is being forced to decide whether the concert series can afford to continue.

"If we did stop it, it might just be for a one-year hiatus to catch our breath and try to re-examine what we're doing," said Carson.

He said the committee is supposed to make a decision about the fate of the series when it meets in two weeks.

Regardless of what the future holds for the series, this Sunday's concert will go ahead as planned at Haliburton's Legion Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The musical trio will play a wide variety of selections, including Gershwin songs, gypsy airs, Mozart and Brahms.

Dysart might put in a pumping station to squeeze between rock and hard place on Peninsula

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Dysart council is trying to come up with a solution for property owners on Peninsula Drive who are caught between a rock and a hard place when it comes to hooking up to the municipality's sewer line extension.

The branch line stops about 300 metres from the end of the rocky peninsula.

That leaves up to a dozen home and cottage owners facing the expensive prospect of paying for very long, individual connections to the line through dense rock and other impediments.

But Dysart is considering putting a small pumping station at the end of the peninsula, which would allow property owners to hook up to the line with less difficulty and less cost.

First the municipality has to see if it has money left over in the project budget to cover the additional work.

It cost Dysart roughly $130,000 to install each of the large pumping stations along the line.

A smaller, less costly pumping station would do the job on Peninsula Dr., said Ward 2 councillor Dennis Casey, who sits on the committee overseeing the project.

Some property owners on the peninsula have maintained they shouldn't have to go to the expense of hooking up to the sewer line since they put less environmental strain on Lake Kashagawigamog as seasonal residents.

But the municipality has to look at long-term solutions, said Casey.

"You have to think ahead five years from now, 10 years from now. Those homes and cottages down there may have completely changed hands."

Properties currently used as cottages during the summer and on weekends may become permanent homes in the not too distant future, he said.

Council is obligated to get as many property owners as possible to switch from septic systems to the sewer line in an attempt to clean up the lake, Casey said.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said the municipality must first determine if it has enough money remaining in its budget for the project before it decides on installing another pumping station.

"Let's see the costs and if we haven't got the money, it's simple — we cap it," he said.

The cost of the sewer line was originally estimated at $5.4-million, including expansion work at the sewage treatment plant. However, the project was tendered at about $5.2-million. The province is covering close to 80 per cent of the construction costs.

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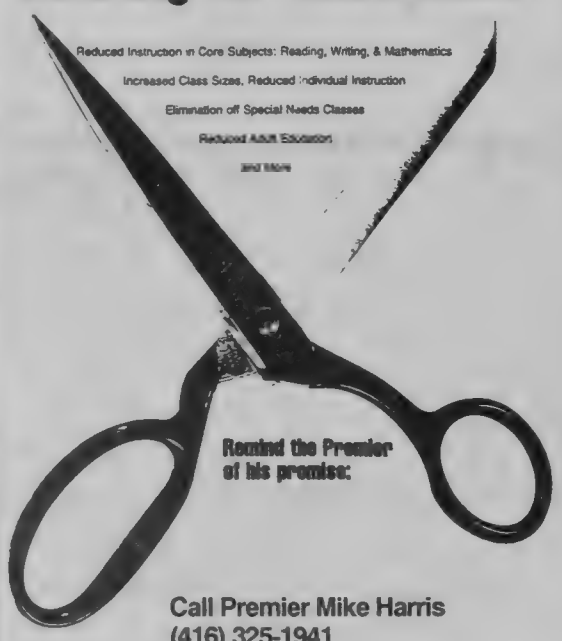

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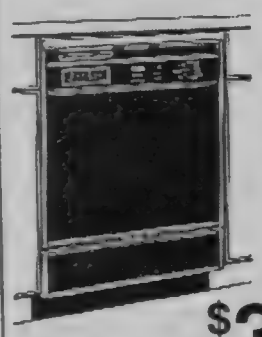

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Ken Riley

Scientists in Britain brought us one step closer to the twilight zone this week as they successfully cloned the first mammal in history, a sheep. Bahhh, you say! As amazing as this accomplishment is, one has to wonder what implications it has for the future of mankind. On the good side, Old MacDonald could pick out his favourite sheep, get it copied and have a whole flock of the furry little devils. Leaf fans could take a dip in the gene pool back to the glory days and replicate some of their heroes. Imagine a whole herd of Mother Teresas ranging far and wide to help the sick and disabled throughout the world. On the other hand, if the formula fell into the wrong hands the effects could be devastating. Does the world really want or need two Brian Mulroneys? If O.J. had a clone at least then he could blame the finger and footprints on someone else. Please don't give the recipe to Cliff Fletcher unless you want a whole team of Larry Murphys and Steve Sullivans.

The world may never be the same but there's one thing that can't be copied and that's the weekly action of the W.O.H.L.!

Game one of this week's action between Apsley and Whitney had to be cancelled, due to a Whitney white-out, giving Apsley an easy two points.

Speaking on an easy two points, that's what Bancroft Canadian Tire got as they faced the Wilberforce Golden Ponders. The Tiremen came out rolling from the get-go and ran over the Ponders to the tune of 12 - 3! Lloyd (now you see him, now you don't) Peters led the way for the Bancroftites with the hat trick, Jim Goodwin, Ralph Keeler and Chip Watson all had two each, singles went to Tom Armstrong, Chris Altoft and Number 28? The Ponders production came from the R.A.T. line with Ken Riley, Jim Alden and Doug Tallman each getting one. The victory puts the Bancroft boys in a tie for third place with Apsley, each with 10 points.

Game three was the thriller - in Wilberforce, with first place on the line, between the Haliburton Hawks and the Clarkson Plumbers. The Hawks got on the board first on a tally from Steve Roberts, but the Plumbers had goals from brother Joe and Dan Curry before the period ended. It was brotherly love in the second with Dan getting two; Joe, one; and Tom Curry replying for the Hawks. The Plumbers continued to plunge in the third outscoring the Hawks 3 - 1 and skating to an 8 - 3 victory. Finishing off the scoring was Mr. Roberts with two more and Tim Chambers with one for the 'Chuckies'. Tom Curry had his second of the night for the Hawks. This gives the Plumbers sole ownership of first place with an impressive record of 12 wins and one loss!

There's only four weeks left to catch the old boys in action, so get out and cheer them on, there's no clones here. All these guys are pure originals!

Hodgson announces new requirements for hunters to put on more hunter orange

Natural Resources Minister Chris Hodgson has announced a regulation that requires hunters to wear hunter orange.

The regulation will require most hunters to wear hunter orange during deer, moose and bear hunting seasons. Bow hunters hunting during archery-only seasons and licensed waterfowl hunters will continue to be encouraged to voluntarily wear orange.

"In requiring hunter orange, MNR is continuing its tradition of promoting safe hunting practices, making an already safe recreational activity even safer. These changes bring Ontario in line with many other North American jurisdictions and recognize a practice that has been recommended to Ontario's hunters for several years," said Hodgson.

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Hunter orange clothing must cover a minimum of 400 square inches above the waist and must be visible from all sides. A hunting coat or vest generally meets this requirement. Orange head cover will also be required. Camouflage or open mesh hunter orange does not satisfy the regulatory requirements.

"Wearing hunter orange helps to ensure that you are visible to other hunters. It has proven to have no negative effect on hunting success. Big game is alerted by movement, not colour," says Rick Morgan, executive vice-president of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters. The OFAH has long been a proponent of hunter orange.

MNR is now working to ensure Ontario's outdoors garment manufacturers, many of whom already produce hunter orange, understand the standards to be met. The regulation is scheduled to take effect for the fall 1997 hunting season.

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Cost of septic inspections up sharply

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

People who need to get their septic systems inspected by the health unit will soon be paying almost twice as much for the service.

As of September 30, the province will no longer contribute to the costs of "environmental protection" inspections, which are mandatory when a property owner wants to install a system, or if there's a complaint. As a result, the health unit will increase its user fee.

Inspection of a small system will increase to $340 from $175 and for larger systems the fee will be $500 instead of $350.

In the new year, health unit funding will no longer be shared between the province and property owners in a 75/25 split.

Instead, property owners will be taking on all the costs.

At first, some municipalities considered taking on the job of septic inspections themselves,

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perhaps having their building inspector do the job. But at a recent county council meeting, some local politicians seemed cool to the idea. The person doing the inspection has to receive training, and should be ready by October 1 to take over the duties. As well, there is a concern about liability.

Warden Murray Fearrey says there's also been an increase in the number of letters of compliance from lawyers who need to know when a system was installed and whether any changes were made. That information has been stored manually, not on computer. If municipalities were to take on the job, those records would have to be transferred and staff would be required to search for the information.

Monmouth Reeve Keith Tallman, who is the county's representative at the health unit, says the health unit is willing to continue to provide the service as long as all municipalities participate. It would be too unwieldy if various municipalities imposed varying requirements and fees.

Info. Centre will process tax returns before closing doors

INFO. CENTRE *News*

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West Guilford Notes: LIFT speaker focuses on photos

by ELEANOR COOPER

Luke Schell of Perfect Prints Haliburton will be guest speaker at LIFT at the Baptist Church on March 6 at 7:30 p.m. The focus is "You Ought to be in Pictures." Also, Pat Wicks will be providing special music.

Friends and family are invited to Everitt Paull's 90th birthday party to take place at his home on Kennisis Lake Road on Sunday, March 9, 1 to 5 p.m.

Zion United Church in Carnarvon will hosting the local World Day of Prayer service on March 7 at 2 p.m.. The theme has been arranged by the women of South Korea. Imagine – maybe Louise Cooper, who's teaching in Seoul, will be reading the same program that day.

There will be refreshments after the service prepared by the Zion UCW.

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March 11 **WHEELS TO MEALS**, 12 noon, BMD, Gooderham. For more info call Haliburton County Home Support Services 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.

March 19 **THE CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION** is holding a general meeting on Wednesday, March 19 at Victoria Manor. Speaker is Marjorie Hollands, author of cookbooks for people with diabetes. Coffee at 7:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 8 p.m. Info 878-0131.

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*March 25***JOIN WHEELS TO MEALS**, 12 noon, Red Umbrella Inn, Carnarvon. For more information call Haliburton County Home Support Services 457-2941 or 1-800-5567-2941.

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April 19, St. George's Anglican Church presents **CELEBRATE,** a concert featuringi the 60 voice Mohawk College Singers. Haliburton Legion, 7:30pm. Reserved tickets $17.50 advance ($20 at the door), $10. students, available at Perfect Prints, Master's Bookstore in Haliburton or Campbell's Flowers, Minden. Proceeds to Chruch Restoration.

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Transfer of highways to county an outrage

WILBERFORCE *News*

Hilda Clark

Did I read correctly? Tell me it's not true. No provincial highways through the villages of Wilberforce, Harcourt, Highland Grove and Gooderham! Highways 648, 507 and 503 are very busy highways. They are important south-west/north-east thoroughfares in and out of this area. And County Council is pondering whether it should keep maintenance of all these roads it will be taking over at provincial level. What is the county standard? Is it slapping on some tar and gravel. Example: County Road 4 between the bank and Cockle Lake in Wilberforce. This is an outrage! And the County Council was reported to thank the sitting member at Queen's Park for his help! How does it help the businesses and residents of this part of the county to have no provincial highway through our communities?

Belated but sincere birthday wishes go out to two find ladies; to Mrs. Georgina Lee who celebrated her 97th birthday on February 25 and to her young sister Mabel Coumbs who turned 89 on February 18. Their brother, Colin, is 94. What great long lives! Many happy returns. Is the Fountain of Youth in Essonville?

World Day of Prayer Service for this area is scheduled for Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Reform Church in Highland Grove. The program for this year's service was prepared by the women of South Korea. Everyone welcome.

Congratulations to Julie Scott who was awarded Life Membership in Royal Canadian Legion Branch 624 last week. The presentation was made at her home.

Friends and neighbours of Lorne Marshall and Wren Hughes wish them speedy recovery to good health.

In the week leading up to March break the students at the Wilberforce school will be involved in the story telling and public speaking finals at the Lloyd Watson Centre on Monday afternoon. Branch 624 of the Royal Canadian Legion is the sponsor of this competition.

Students of the Week were Evan Norrish and Brandon Logan in Grade 5/6 who both gave great speeches in class in a lead-up to the finals on Monday. Stephanie Pellan was the star in 3/4. All kinds of winners in 2/3; In their book reading program Kristin Nicholson has read 91 books, Ashley Alden, 61 books and Jennifer Cumming, 62 books. For great improvement in their written work Michael Vaughan, Joanna Rowbottom and David Deschamps were named! In Grade 1 Kimberley was chosen for reading a whole book to the class. In Kindergarten Caitlin Meharrie was chosen for making neat crafts at the Craft Centre and Elliott Cronk has learned to print his name.

COMPUTER GRADS: These computer graduates from Clark College's Computer Basics course are ready to put their newly learned skills to use. The students, who completed 150 hours of training on Friday, studied several programs, including Dos 6.22, Wordperfect 6.0 for Dos, Windows 95 and Microsoft Word. Pictured are (front, from left) Donna Johnson, Dorothy Dewar, Liz Postill, Tracy Tremblett, Reg Poole, (back, from left) instructor Eric Lilius, Wayne Shelly, Norm Perrott, Sherry Base, Elizabeth Mahaffy, Mic Clarke, Bonnie Brohm and Donna Guerin.

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Amateurs can share spotlight at Dorset talent night

by PHYLLIS BRISCOE

The first annual Fun Talent and Music Night will be held Saturday, March 22 at 8 p.m. at the Dorset Rec. Centre. No matter what your talent is - music, theatre, dance, whatever - come and join the fun. Hone up your skills in the meantime and call Melissa at 766-9968 to register your act.

The Anglican Lake of Bays Parish held their last Sunday of the month united service at St. Mary Magdalenes Church. After the service a delicious lunch and social time was enjoyed.

The following was given to me and it seemed to be so true to life, I thoroughly enjoyed it and decided to share it. It is entitled, Let Go and Let God.

As children bring their broken toys with tears, for us to mend,

I brought my broken dreams to God because He was my friend.

But, then, instead of leaving Him in peace, to work alone

I hung around with ways that were my own.

At last, I snatched them back and cried, How can you be so slow?

My child, He said, what can I do? You never did let go.

The first meeting in March for the Dorset Senior Club will be on Wednesday, the 5th, at 12 noon with a pot luck lunch, finger food.

The guest speaker will be Sharon Graves, who will speak on abuse of the elderly. There will be a brief business meeting followed by games.

Happy birthday to James Radley, Aubrey Keown, Dustin Clark, Ted Morris, and to Shannon Nixon.

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Minden WI celebrates historic centenary

by JEANNE SEARS

On Wednesday, February 19, all over Ontario, Women's Institute branches met to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Federated Women's Institute of Ontario (F.W.I.O.).

Minden's members joined in this special day as they had Maud Coulter, a senior member, light the candle to open this meeting at The Terrace.

Jean Cox, our president, welcomed all our guests by name and brought greetings from others. Members and guests answered the roll call by telling of their learning times at W.I. meetings.

Minutes of the first Ontario W.I. were read by Mary Cox, our secretary. Motto was "Celebrate the Past, Challenge the Future".

Many members were in old-fashioned dress and some gave us an amusing skit.

Special collection was taken for headquarters and the monthly one for Pennies for Friendship which are used by Associated Country Women of the World.

A brief history of Ontario W.I.'s was read and "For Home and Country" a history is available from our secretary.

Next meeting is at the library centre, March 19 at 2 p.m. with all ladies welcome.

Then all had the old-fashioned lunch, sandwiches, Johnny cake and maple syrup, gingerbread and topping, and cookies, tea or coffee, and circulated for a chat. Several ladies were lucky and won the prizes - Mabel Deacon and Nancy Gayton.

COMPLETION OF HIGHWAY STUDY BLACK RIVER BRIDGE - HIGHWAY 35

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has completed a study under work project number WP96-86-00 for the replacement of the Black River Bridge on Highway 35, approximately 10 km south of the junction of Highways 35 and 117.

This project will involve construction of a new single span bridge 14 m east of the existing bridge, and re-alignment of Highway 35 as new approaches to the bridge. The existing bridge will remain open to traffic during construction, and will then be removed once traffic is diverted on to the new structure.

This is an MTO Environmental Assessment category B - New or Modified Water Crossings and Watercourse Alterations - project. The planning process is outlined in the Provincial Highways Class Environmental Assessment.

An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been prepared and filed with the Ministry of the Environment and Energy for public review at the following locations:

Ministry of the Environment and Energy:

Northern Region
Suite 331, 3rd Floor, 435 James Street South
Thunder Bay

Muskoka Haliburton District Office
483 Bethune Drive North, Gravenhurst

Ministry of Transportation:

Northern Regional Office
447 McKeown Avenue, North Bay

Huntsville District Office
207 Main Street West, Huntsville

The review period for this project will terminate on April 19, 1997 at which time the Ministry of Transportation may proceed to construction.

For further information, please contact:

Ms. Mary Young,
Environmental Planner,
Planning and Design Section,
Ministry of Transportation,
447 McKeown Avenue, P.O. Box 3030,
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REDUCED LOAD RESTRICTIONS

A) Pursuant to sub-section 104A of the Highway Traffic Act, the following King's Highways and local roads boards in the Bancroft District of the Ministry of Transportation will be designated to "REDUCED LOAD LIMITS".

HWY. NO.	LOCATION
503	From Hwy. 48, Kirkfield North Easterly to Hwy. 121 Kinmount
504	From Hwy. 620A, Easterly to Hwy. 620 at Glen Alda
505	From Jct. Hwy. 48 Northerly to Jct. Hwy. 503 at Uphill
506	From Jct. Hwy. 41 Easterly to Plevna
507	From Jct. Hwy. 28 Northerly to Jct. Hwy. 36 at Buckhorn and from Jct. Hwy. 36 at Flynns Corners Northerly to Jct. Hwy. 503 at Gooderham
509	From Plevna South Easterly to Jct. Hwy. 7
515	From the East limits of Quadeville to Jct. Hwy. 512
517	From Jct. Hwy. 62 at Combermere Southerly to Carlow Twp. Rd.
523	From Jct. Hwy. 60 at Madawaska Southerly to Hastings/Nipissing County boundry.
648	From Jct. Hwy. 121 Southerly to Dyno Mines
649	From Jct. Hwy. 36 at Bobcaygeon Northerly to Jct. Hwy. 121
7033	Old Irondale Rd.
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The above highways and local roads boards will be subject to "Reduced Load Limits" effective upon the erection of signs, which may be erected any time after March 1st depending on weather conditions.

B) RESTRICTIONS ON PERMITS ISSUED

PURSUANT TO SECTION 93 OF THE HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT

1) All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act, unless otherwise specified are not valid on any highways during the months of March and April.
2) Single trip permits, for moving of overloads on highways not designated in Schedules 1, 2 and 3, may be issued, but are subject to axle controls established by Compliance Branch, Safety and Regulation Division.

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Tender
Janitorial Building Maintenance

The **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** invites sealed tenders from interested contractors for building maintenance services at the **Leslie M. Frost Resources Centre** for the 1997 operating season.

This tender contains provisions to extend the duration of the operating period by two additional one-year contracts, upon mutual agreement between the ministry and the contractor.

Prospective bidders must attend an on-site meeting at the Leslie M. Frost Resource Centre, RR #2, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, March 13, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. This meeting will allow prospective bidders to inspect the site and to have staff answer any questions pertaining to the project.

Tender packages can be obtained **beginning March 3, 1997** at the address below.

Please specify **Tender #T96-069** when requesting documents, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., from:

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For further technical information, please contact **Alf Trotter at (705) 766-0548 or facsimile (705) 766-9677.** For further administrative information, please contact **Fred Pedosiuk at (705) 755-2375 or facsimile (705) 755-2508.**

Tenders must be received at the above address before 3:00 p.m. (local time) on Friday, March 21, 1997. Tenders will be opened publicly at the same address on Friday, March 21, 1997 at 3:15 p.m. (local time). Tenders received after the closing date/time will be returned unopened.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

The Municipality of Dysart et al

Attention all Sewer-Service Installers

The council of the Municipality of Dysart et al is presently reviewing the new sewer-service connection by-law. Any one interested may obtain a copy of the proposed by-law at the Municipality of Dysart et al offices, Maple Ave., Haliburton.
Please make comments or suggestions in writing to the Municipality of Dysart et al, C/O Donna McCallum, Box 389, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 or deliver to the Municipality of Dysart et al offices. All submissions must be received prior to March 07, 1997, 12:00 Noon.

County Of Haliburton

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

PURSUANT TO SECTION 26 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AS AMENDED BY BILL 86

Notice is hereby given of a Public Meeting to be held on the date, time and location as follows:

MARCH 19, 1997 - 11:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

To consider the passing of a By-Law to change the composition and size of the council, and the number of votes given to any member.

By-Law will replace existing By-Law No. 1279.

County Council will at that time, hear persons and receive submissions relating to the By-Law.

Information relating to this By-Law will be available at the County office during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Day camp makes March break an adventure

by SHEILA LAKE
Coboconk News

There are lots of activities planned to keep the kids busy during March break, at the Lindsay Boys and Girls Club. From March 7 to 14, kids from five to 12 years of age can participate in all the March Break Adventure Camp fun from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The camp is organized by students from Sir Sandford Fleming College's Recreation Leadership class. Pre-registration is required and you call (705) 324-4493.

The annual World Day of Prayer will be held on March 7 at Knox United Church. Program begins at 2 p.m. and all are welcome.

Gwen Faulkner, wife of John Faulkner, underwent surgery in Toronto General Hospital in Toronto last week. John and Gwen live in Peterborough, but were both raised here in Coboconk. Gwen has been in a wheelchair for a number of years, but always meets life's challenges with a smile, so I'm sure she'll do very well once again. Best wishes to both of you! John has been a devoted caregiver and suffers along with Gwen.

Kelly Prentice had the misfortune to fall on the ice and break her leg last week. This young mother is no stranger to surgery, since she has been in the hospital a number of times. We wish you a speedy recovery, Kelly.

Sam Routley was guest of honour at his cousin's, Cindy McCall's, on February 14 for the occasion of his 76th birthday. Cousin Gloria McDermid was also there to celebrate.

Norma Suggitt, her husband, Cliff, and family members, all joined in celebrating Norma's birthday at the Rockhaven in Peterborough last weekend. Her sister and nephew were also celebrating as their birthdays are close to Norma's.

The Lindsay Boys and Girls Club have started offering programs in Coboconk at the Ridgewood School gym, thanks to Bexley Recreation Committee. Karate and Jujitsu are offered every Tuesday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. On Thursday nights from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. there is a drop-in sports club for five to 9-year-olds. Ten to 14-year-olds can enjoy the gym from 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Ken Murchison, who had his foot and leg amputated at the Civic hospital in Peterborough last week, is recovering and appreciates your cards and inquiries.

Human Resources Development Canada is offering another four-week program for the unemployed starting February 24th at Fenelon Falls United Church.

The workshops will involve participants in making informed decisions about their career choices, using interactive discussion and tools to help determine, their career interests, suitabilities for specific types of work and the best path to accomplish these objectives. Modules covering education, training and all aspects of job search strategies will be customized to the needs of the participants. This four-week session will require daily participation from Monday to Friday from February 24 to March 21.

HRDC encourages residents who think they may be eligible to contact the office at (705) 324-3562 for further information.

Residents bid long-time employee farewell

SENIOR LEAGUE
Hyland Crest News
Sheila and The Roving Reporters

Jack Shaw, Floorman Extraordinaire, was the guest of honour at his retirement party held on the 26th. Jack, who has worked in our home for 30 years, was joined by his family, staff, residents and former staff to celebrate the occasion and wish him the best. He received many gifts including a gold watch. The celebration closed with a delicious buffet provided by the dietary staff.

Jack leftg us on February 28. We will miss him dearly and will always remember the many kindnesses that he has shown us during his time here. Good luck Jack and don't work too hard.

His position will be filled by Phyllis Sutherland.

In the evening we enjoyed music, compliments of Don and Cheryl Alton, Doris Robertson and Linda Fry. What a fun time we had joining in the sing song and many of us joined in with much dancing.

A belated thank you to the ladies of UCW Minden who provided us with a lovely tea party on February 20. Next day we enjoyed Happy Hour with the Pickards.

We were pleasantly surprised to receive a case of oranges delivered all the way from Florida, thanks to a couple of volunteers who are holidaying there. What a treat that was.

So all in all, February 26 will be a day to remember for a long time.

Hope you will have heard that Robbie Young is doing well and will be able to come home every other weekend. It will be good to see him. As for Patches, he is doing well in his new home.

Welcome to our new volunteer, Mary Cooper. It is always appreciated when people give of their time to be with us. Another volunteer, Pastor Power, kindly drove two of our residents to Peterborough so they could attend medical appointments. Thanks to you all.

Happy birthday to Gordon Kent who celebrates on March 5, and welcome to a new resident, Jack Durnford.

On the 27th we enjoyed a delicious tea party with the Minden Curling Club.

That's all the news for now. See you next week.

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Rate: $9.67 per hour, bi-weekly
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Please respond with resumé by March 14, 1997 to: Lia Howe, C.H.A.C.E. Day Care, P.O. Box 852, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. Successful candidates will be contacted. **CA**

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280 COMING EVENTS

3RD ANNUAL
SPAGHETTI DINNER
A fundraising event for the Stanhope/Carnarvon Police Support Association
Saturday, March 8
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Stanhope Firefighters Hall, North Shore Road
Adults, $7
Children 7 - 12, $4
Children 6 & under, free
CA

At
AGNES JAMIESON GALLERY
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A display of Art Work done by the students of Haliburton County.
Feb. 21 - March 22
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Final performance of
HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS CONCERT SERIES
Sunday, March 9
7:30 p.m.
at the
Haliburton Legion Hall
Adult tickets: $20
Students: $10
Available at
I.D.A. Drug Store, Minden, & Nancy's Flowers, Haliburton
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280 COMING EVENTS

WINTERGREEN
MAPLE SYRUP &
PANCAKE BARN
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CHILDREN'S CRAFT WORKSHOPS
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1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs.,
March 11, 12, 13
For children aged 6 - 10 yrs.
Cost: $2.00
For information and registration call
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7:00 p.m.
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Registration
March 25/97, 7 - 9 p.m.
and
March 29/97, 2 - 4 p.m.
BOYS and GIRLS
Ages 5 - 10
as of January 1/97
Cost $20.00
Stanhope Firefighters Hall
North Shore Rd., Carnarvon
CA

HALIBURTON & AREA Acquired Brain Injury Support – Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Haliburton Health Unit. For info call Nancy at 457-1600.
CA

300 AUCTIONS

WHITES AUCTION SALE
Sat., March 8 - 10 a.m.
Property of
Mrs. Pearl Holmes who has sold her home and is moving to a nursing home.
SALE WILL BE HELD at the Faraday Community Centre, appr. 6 kms. south of Bancroft on Hwy. 28 (beside Bow Lake Shell Station at the Lower Faraday Road). SALE WILL CONSIST OF complete contents of home including furniture, household goods, antiques and collectables, tools, etc. **Whites Auction Service, 1-613-339-2350. Auctioneer: Oscar White.**
CA

310 NOTICES

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAM
is looking for Volunteers
CAP
will offer free access
to INTERNET at five sites
throughout
Haliburton County
If you are interested in
30 hrs. of FREE Internet
training starting
April 1st
Attend the information
session **March 13th**
at Sir Sandford Fleming
College - **7:00 p.m.**
For further information
contact Andy Campbell
Haliburton County
Development Corporation
457–3555
CA

SUPPORT THE Haliburton Figure Skating Club and buy your Nevada tickets at Shamrock Shell. **CA**

310 NOTICES

The 1997 HALIBURTON SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS brochure is now available at the following locations in Minden and Haliburton: **Minden:** Chamber of Commerce, Library, Agnes Jamieson Gallery. **Haliburton:** Sir Sandford Fleming College (Sisco Centre, Hwy. 118, Dysart Library, Rails' End Gallery). **CA**

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320 PERSONAL

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Such as: Panic Attacks
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CA

340 BIRTHS

"Guardian Angel Delivers Final Edition"
Carmen Smith and Susan Brindle-Smith are thrilled to announce the birth of their "little" miracle,
JANNA MARY ANNE
February 19th, 1997
12:40 p.m., Peterborough Civic, 8 lbs., 9 oz. of health
David and Melissa can hardly believe they really have a new sister. Many thanks to all for helping Janna arrive safely. Proud grandparents – Les and Arthella Smith, Marcel and Evelyn Denis and Donald Brindle of Muskoka

390 DEATH NOTICES

SPEIRS, NORMA (nee Cleggett): Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, February 25, 1997 in her 70th year. Beloved wife of Douglas Speirs. Loving mother of Fay of Campbellford, Bob Groat of Wildfield, Donna of Honeywood, Dennis of Thornton, Melvin of Sandhill and Ross of Simcoe. Fondly remembered by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and by her brothers Bud and Gary Cleggett and sisters Ester, Marian and Donna. Friends and family called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Thursday, February 27, 1997 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Friday morning, February 28, 1997 at 11 o'clock. Spring interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family. A Ladies Auxiliary Legion Service was held at the Funeral Home on Thursday afternoon, February 27, 1997 at 2:30 o'clock. **CA**

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AT REST

AUGUSTEIJN, JAN J.: Suddenly at the Avalon Retirement Lodge, Orangeville on Thursday, February 27, 1997, Jan. J. Augusteijn, in his 84th year, beloved husband of Eleanor (Dixie) Augusteijn, Caledon East. He is also survived by his loving daughter Elizabeth and her husband Chris Parkinson; three granddaughters, Emma, Sarah, and Laura, and great granddaughter, Jessica. Dear brother of Henri Augusteijn, Amsterdam. Jan was born in Axel, Holland, graduated cum laude in 1937 as a mining engineer from Delft University and immediately joined the Royal Dutch Shell in the Exploration Department, serving in Roumania, Egypt, Nigeria, Holland, the United States, Colombia, Ecuador (where he married Eleanor), and lastly in Venezuela. He began in seismology, but when he retired in 1962 he was General Manager

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of the Western Division in Venezuela. On retirement Jan and Eleanor moved to Haliburton where he had a small hobby farm and was one of the dedicated group who started the highly successful Haliburton School of Fine Arts. In 1986 when his daughter and family settled in Caledon East, Jan and Eleanor moved to the same area. Highly regarded, he will be missed by his many friends worldwide. The family received their friends in the chapel of Meadowvale Crematorium 2nd Line West (Chinguacousy Road, south of Steeles Avenue), Brampton on Monday, March 3 from noon until time of funeral service at one o'clock. Followed by cremation. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Headwaters Health Care Centre Campaign, 32 First Street, Orangeville, L9W 2E1. Arrangements by the Egan Funeral Home, Bolton (905-857-2213).

400 IN MEMORIAM

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Silent is the voice we loved to hear.
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But not too far for thought to reach.
Sadly missed and always remembered by **Marjorie and George, Lyle and Carol, and Truman.**

STAMP, GRENVILLE – In memory of a dear uncle, who passed away March 7, 1990.
There will always be a heartache
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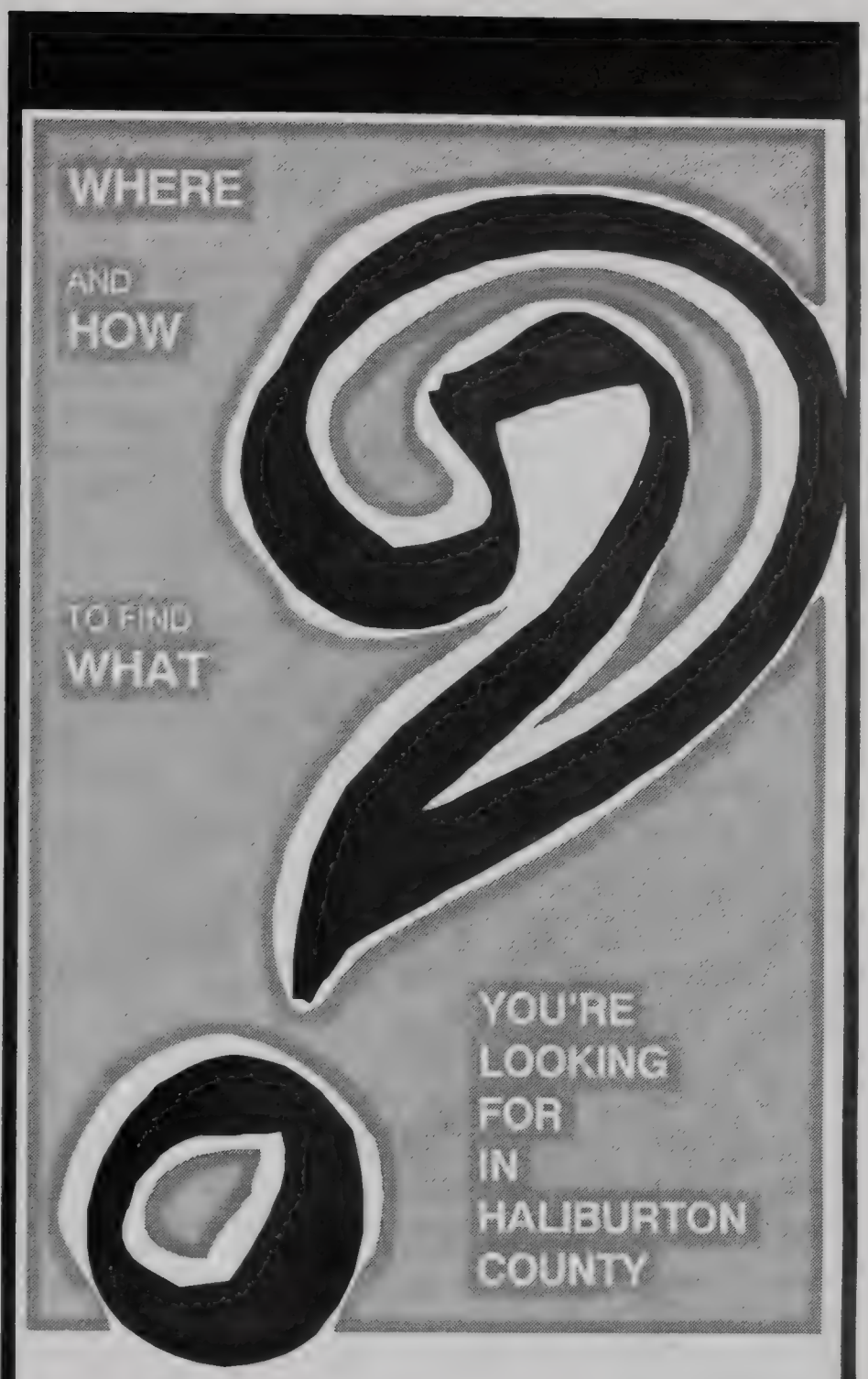

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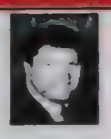

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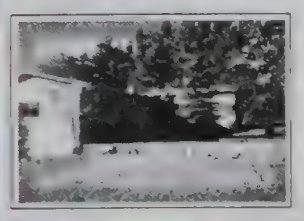

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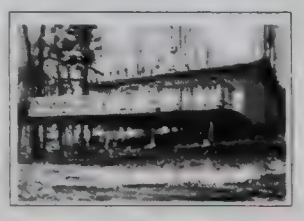

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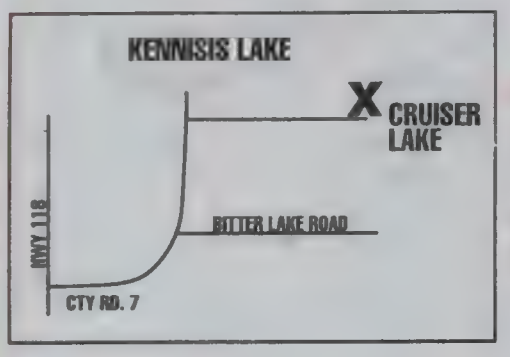

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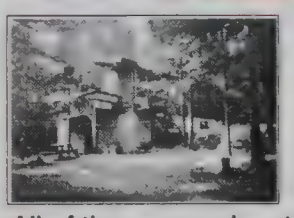

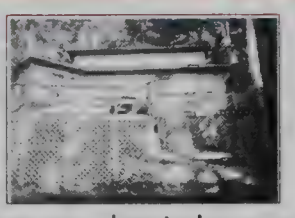

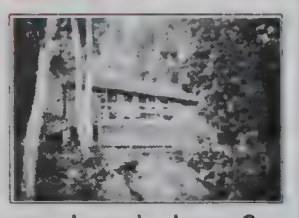

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Music-loving audiences to keep Concert Series alive

From THE ECHO

When the curtain closes on this Sunday's season finale of the Haliburton Highlands Concert Series, it could be a long time before it opens again — if at all.

Not only has the concert series seen its provincial funding cut deeply over than past couple of years, but also it has watched its revenues decline with shrinking audiences

The organizing committee is not sure whether it will have the finances to line up another concert series for the 1997-98 season.

"We've picked out a program already for next year. We just don't know if we can swing it," said committee president Ted Carson.

For the past 17 years the concert series has brought high-caliber musicians to the Highlands in three annual performances.

Pauline and Edward Minevick, with Leslie De'Ath will perform this Sunday, March 9

Usually the musicians gave classical performances, but there were also cabarets and plays, including the acclaimed Wingfield Trilogy.

But over the past two years the Ontario Arts Council has drastically reduced its funding to the program and the organizing committee is expecting more of the same for the year ahead.

"Either it will be cut back quite a bit or it will be gone completely," said Carson.

The committee is still trying to find out the exact details of its funding situation from the OAC, he said.

At the same time as the grants have declined, attendance has also dropped.

"The audience doesn't seem to be getting any bigger. That's the problem," said Carson. "We're getting some really top-notch performances, but the audiences don't seem to be coming out."

The organizing committee is being forced to decide whether the

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Ice becoming unsafe on area lakes, rivers

The Superintendent of the Trent-Severn Waterway announced Thursday that due to recent rainfall and warmer temperatures, ice conditions on lakes and rivers in the Trent, Severn and Haliburton watersheds are beginning to deteriorate.

Water currents above and below Trent-Severn Waterway control dams, especially in the Severn River and Haliburton areas, are now increasing in velocity, causing ice covers to weaken.

People are advised not to travel over the ice on local lakes and rivers and to completely avoid the areas above and below water control dams.

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Concert series could fold unless audiences get bigger

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concert series can afford to continue.

"If we did stop it, it might just be for a one-year hiatus to catch our breath and try to re-examine what we're doing," said Carson.

He said the committee is supposed to make a decision about the fate of the series when it meets in two weeks.

Regardless of what the future holds for the series, this Sunday's concert will go ahead as planned at Haliburton's Legion Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The musical trio will play a wide variety of selections, including Gershwin songs, gypsy airs, Mozart and Brahms.

Cost of septic inspections will almost double when provincial subsidies end

People who need to get their septic systems inspected by the health unit will soon be paying almost twice as much for the service.

As of September 30, the province will no longer contribute to the costs of "environmental protection" inspections, which are mandatory when a property owner wants to install a system, or if there's a complaint. As a result, the health unit will increase its user fee.

Inspection of a small system will increase to $340 from $175 and for larger systems the fee will be $500 instead of $350.

In the new year, health unit funding will no longer be shared between the province and property owners in a 75/25 split. Instead, property owners will be taking on all the costs.

At first, some municipalities considered taking on the job of septic inspections themselves, perhaps having their building inspector do the job. But at a recent county council meeting, some local politicians seemed cool to the idea. The person doing the inspection has to receive training, and should be ready by October 1 to take over the duties. As well, there is a concern about liability.

Warden Murray Fearrey says there's also been an increase in the number of letters of compliance from lawyers who need to know when a system was installed and whether any changes were made. That information has been stored manually, not on computer. If municipalities were to take on the job, those records would have to be transferred and staff would be required to search for the information.

Monmouth Reeve Keith Tallman, who is the county's representative at the health unit, says the health unit is willing to continue to provide the service as long as all municipalities participate. It would be too unwieldy if various municipalities imposed varying requirements and fees.

EVENTS Coming Up in the Highlands

March GOSPEL SERVICES at Haliburton Orange Lodge Hall, George St., Sundays 4:00 p.m. Conducted by C. Cowan, K. Palmateer, K. Jacques.

March 6 OPEN SUPPORT GROUP Bi-weekly grief support group for all who have been bereaved, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. in Lindsay. For information call Palliative Care Victoria at 324-2811.

March 7 St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 7:00pm , all welcome (men, women & children)

March 6, 7 & 8 WINTER CLOTHING CLEARANCE SALE. All winter clothing priced 50¢ to $1.00 from 10 - 4 p.m. at the Salvation Army Thrift Store in Fenelon Falls, 91 Murray Street.

March 9 HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS CONCERT SERIES presents "Contrasts" an instrumental trio at the Haliburton Legion Hall, 7:30 pm. Adult tickets $20 (students $10) available at IDA Drugstore,Minden, and Nancy's Flowers, Haliburton.

March 11 JOIN WHEELS TO MEALS, 12 noon, BMD, Gooderham. For more information call Haliburton County Home Support Services 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.

March 19 THE CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION is holding a general meeting on Wednesday, March 19 at Victoria Manor. Speaker is Marjorie Hollands, author of cookbooks for people with diabetes. Coffee at 7:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 8 p.m. Info 878-0131.

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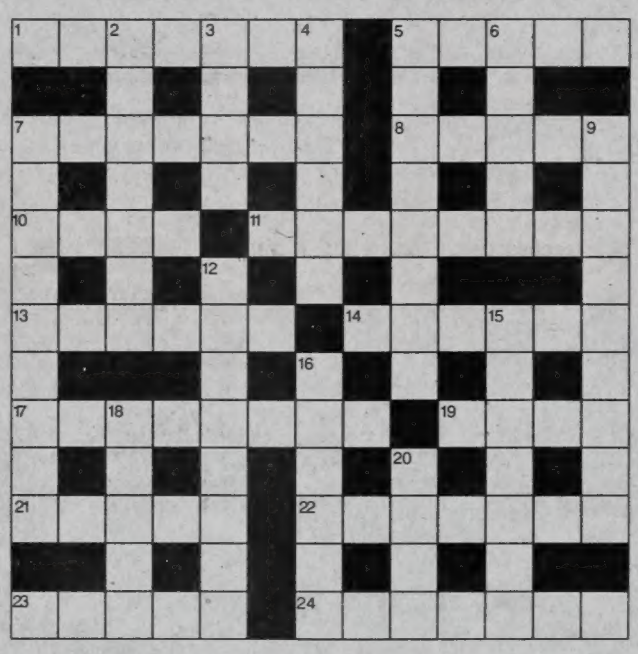
March 22 MONMOUTH FIGURE SKATING CLUB presents its annual carnival at 7:00pm. This year's theme is strokes of colour. Our enthusiastic local skaters are joined by guest skater Adam Colville from the Orono F.S.C. Admission $4. for adults, $3 for students, preschoolers free.

March 25 JOIN WHEELS TO MEALS, 12 noon, Red Umbrella Inn, Carnarvon. For more information call Haliburton County Home Support Services 457-2941 or 1-800-5567-2941.

April 11-13, 18-19 ANNE OF GREEN GABLES 7:30 pm. Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Tickets from Paulette's ini Haliburton, The Store Room in Minden after February 19. Presented by Drama Club, HHSS and Highlands Little Theatre.



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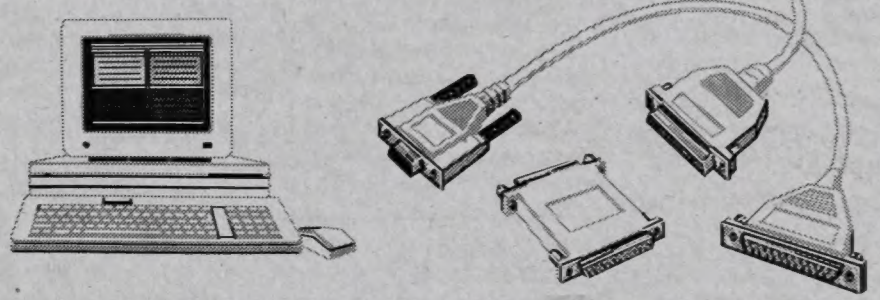

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TWO ATTRACTIVE, level, well treed building lots, 4-1/2 acres each, 10 minutes from Haliburton, on year round road. One has driveway. Severed and surveyed, $19,000 each o.b.o. Terms available. Call 457–2505 or 457–3821.

210 HELP WANTED

BE YOUR OWN BOSS. Tired or working for someone else? No gimmick or investment. TRC of Canada needs manufacturer's representative. Excellent training, opportunity, compensation and benefits. Industry leader. Full or part-time. Write: TRC Canada, P.O. Box 711, Ft. Worth, Texas, 76101, USA.

CONTRACT CURATOR: 140 - 150 days per year. Work with Guild members and Board promoting art education in community. Strong, proven artistic, gallery background. Proven people, teamwork and communication skills. Must have Fine Arts education, be available by March 26. Apply by March 14: **Guild of Fine Arts, Box 912, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0.** **CA**

DO YOU TRAVEL between Gooderham and Haliburton on Tuesdays? Person required April 8 - June 8/97, to deliver The Echo to several stores and post office. Please call 457–1037.

EXECUTIVE MARKETING Administrator required. Should be familiar with telephone marketing, office administration, customer service and be able to use Microsoft Word for Windows. Please send application along with resumé to Shawn Hagerman, CLU, CHFC, P.O. Box 505, Haliburton. Application deadline - March 17, 1997. Please no phone calls. Unfortunately, we will be unable to respond to all applications. **CA**

210 HELP WANTED

CONTRACT POSITION
DAY CARE PROGRAM
ENHANCED STAFF
Program Description/Qualifications:
Enhanced staff are a supplement to the Day Care Program and are considered above and beyond regulated staff/child ratios.
The position requires an E.C.E. team member who works well in an active child-centred program. Specific tasks will vary day to day and will involve all areas of the children's programming.
Successful candidates will be responsible for completing a medical and Criminal Reference Check.
This is a contract position which is dependent on funding and program registration need.
Term: April 1, 1997 (duration to be confirmed)
Hours: One week at 12 hours, second week at 14 hours.
Rate: $9.67 per hour, bi-weekly
Benefits: Mandatory benefits
Please respond with resumé by March 14, 1997 to: Lia Howe, C.H.A.C.E. Day Care, P.O. Box 852, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. Successful candidates will be contacted. **CA**

PEOPLE NEEDED TO clip coupons. Call 24 hr. RECORDED message for free details. (416) 631-4961 Ext. #C237. **CA**

THE JOB FINDING CLUB Highly recommended by past participants. A 3-week, intensive, supported job search. The hiring season is heating up. Get your resumé, get the skills, get searching! Last program runs March 17 - April 4, Monday to Friday, 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Haliburton. Call today. **Haliburton Employment Centre, York St., 457–1316.** **CA**

TRIM CARPENTER, experienced in hardwood floors and drywall. Part-time weekends, Wilberforce area. Call 1-416-499-9164.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR a personable delivery person, needed every Thursday, year round. Must have reliable vehicle, small car is fine. Delivering magazines to local stores. Call Mr. Tyler at (705) 726–6015 with name and telephone number.

240 SERVICES

BARRY ROBERTSON – *Bookkeeping and Tax Service,* P.O. Box 322, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. **457–2966.** **CA**

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES, small class size, enrollment limited, commencing March 12, 1997. Call Ann Knight, 286–4374.

DYSART COMMUNITY CENTRE AUDITORIUM
is available for
Parties • Weddings • Stags
Anniversaries
Full kitchen & hall facilities.
For booking call:
457–1740.
CA

EMMERSON RENT-ALL
Maple Avenue
Remodelled this year
to serve you better
Over 250 items for rent
We are also authorized
dealers for Husqvarna
and Homelite chainsaws
Phone 457-1550
CA

240 SERVICES

HELP IN YOUR HOME – I do vacuuming, shopping, plant watering, pick-ups and deliveries. Will also feed pets, visit with older people, as well as cook for them. Call (705) 457–1348.

HIGHLAND APPLIANCES
Repairs to major appliances
and refrigeration.
Freon Recovery –
Parts Counter
All work guaranteed.
457–1048
CA

INCORPORATE your business today. Lowest prices. $100 plus disb. In business 20 years. (416) 420–0167.

MARIA'S DRESSMAKING & Alterations is available for all your (men, women and children clothes) alterations. Also doing smocking, cushion covers, machine-quilting. For appointment call 754-3110, Maria.

PORTABLE BANDSAW mill. Custom cutting, reasonable rates, quality work. Call 457–1596.
CA

STEP-IT FITNESS CLUB – Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at 5:15 p.m Step aerobics and resistance training. Have fun and get fit. Call Shawn Hagerman at 457–1052.
CA

280 COMING EVENTS

3RD ANNUAL
SPAGHETTI DINNER
A fundraising event for the
Stanhope/Carnarvon
Police Support Association
Saturday, March 8
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Stanhope Firefighters Hall,
North Shore Road
Adults, $7
Children 7 - 12, $4
Children 6 & under, free
CA

At
AGNES JAMIESON
GALLERY
Young Expressions '97
A display of Art Work
done by the students of
Haliburton County.
Feb. 21 - March 22
Tuesday to Saturday,
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
176 Bobcaygeon Rd. N.,
Minden • 286–3763
CA

Final performance of
HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS
CONCERT SERIES
Sunday, March 9
7:30 p.m.
at the
Haliburton Legion Hall
Adult tickets: $20
Students: $10
Available at
I.D.A. Drug Store, Minden, &
Nancy's Flowers, Haliburton
CA

HALIBURTON & AREA Acquired Brain Injury Support – Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Haliburton Health Unit. For info call Nancy at 457-1600. **CA**

Shop the Classifieds

280 COMING EVENTS

RAILS' END GALLERY
MARCH BREAK
CHILDREN'S CRAFT
WORKSHOPS
by Jody Laine
1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs.,
March 11, 12, 13
For children aged 6 - 10 yrs.
Cost: $2.00
For information and
registration call
Jody, 457–2121
CA

ST. ANTHONY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Haliburton
7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 7, 1997
"Like a seed which
grows into a tree"
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
All Welcome
(men, women & children)
CA

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE
Standard First Aid with
HeartStart CPR
Friday, March 14 -
6:30 to 10:15 p.m.
and
Saturday, March 15
starting at 8:30 a.m.
in Minden
CALL 1-800-565-4613
Registration deadline:
March 11, 1997

STANHOPE
SOCCER LEAGUE
Registration
March 25/97, 7 - 9 p.m.
and
March 29/97, 2 - 4 p.m.
BOYS and GIRLS
Ages 5 - 10
as of January 1/97
Cost $20.00
Stanhope Firefighters Hall
North Shore Rd., Carnarvon
CA

WINTERGREEN
MAPLE SYRUP &
PANCAKE BARN
in Gelert is open every Saturday and Sunday from March 7 to the end of April from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come and tour the bush, enjoy taffy-on-snow (1:30 p.m. each day), enjoy a meal and view the production of maple syrup. A great family adventure. Call for more info. 286-3202. Please phone ahead for large groupings. **CA**

300 AUCTIONS

WHITES AUCTION SALE
Sat., March 8 - 10 a.m.
Property of
Mrs. Pearl Holmes who has sold her home and is moving to a nursing home.
SALE WILL BE HELD at the Faraday Community Centre, appr. 6 kms. south of Bancroft on Hwy. 28 (beside Bow Lake Shell Station at the Lower Faraday Road). SALE WILL CONSIST OF complete contents of home including furniture, household goods, antiques and collectables, tools, etc. **Whites Auction Service, 1-613-339-2350. Auctioneer: Oscar White.** **CA**

310 NOTICES

The 1997 HALIBURTON SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS brochure is now available at the following locations in Minden and Haliburton: **Minden:** Chamber of Commerce, Library, Agnes Jamieson Gallery. **Haliburton:** Sir Sandford Fleming College (Sisco Centre, Hwy. 118, Dysart Library, Rails' End Gallery). **CA**

280 COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAM
is looking for Volunteers
CAP
will offer free access
to INTERNET
at five sites throughout
Haliburton County
If you are interested in
30 hrs. of FREE Internet
training starting
April 1st
Attend the information
session **March 13th**
at Sir Sandford Fleming
College - **7:00 p.m.**
For further information
contact Andy Campbell
Haliburton County
Development Corporation
457–3555
CA

SUPPORT THE Haliburton Figure Skating Club and buy your Nevada tickets at Shamrock Shell. **CA**

WEST GUILFORD
RECREATION CENTRE
is available for:
Parties, Weddings
Banquets, Anniversaries
Showers, Stags
Bingo *every Monday*
7:15 p.m.
Jackpot $300.00
Euchre *Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.*
Full kitchen, bar and hall facilities available at reasonable rates. Call Cheryl Cooper, **754–3210.** **CA**

320 PERSONAL

1-800-433-3284 for recorded messages about the Baha'i Faith, its teachings, and perspectives on social issues. For local information, 754–2493.
CA

Are you or someone you know living with a mental illness?
Such as: Panic Attacks
THE HALIBURTON
HIGHLANDS MENTAL
HEALTH SERVICES
provides counselling and
case management services
to those 16 years and older.
We are located in the
Heritage Plaza, Minden.
For more information,
please call: **286–4575**
CA

340 BIRTHS

"Guardian Angel Delivers
Final Edition"
Carmen Smith and Susan Brindle-Smith are thrilled to announce the birth of their "little" miracle,
JANNA MARY ANNE
February 19th, 1997
12:40 p.m., Peterborough Civic, 8 lbs., 9 oz. of health
David and Melissa can hardly believe they really have a new sister. Many thanks to all for helping Janna arrive safely. Proud grandparents – Les and Arthella Smith, Marcel and Evelyn Denis and Donald Brindle of Muskoka.

FAX US AT: 457-3275

390 DEATH NOTICES

AT REST
AUGUSTEIJN, JAN J.: Suddenly at the Avalon Retirement Lodge, Orangeville on Thursday, February 27, 1997, Jan. J. Augusteijn, in his 84th year, beloved husband of Eleanor (Dixie) Augusteijn, Caledon East. He is also survived by his loving daughter Elizabeth and her husband Chris Parkinson; three granddaughters, Emma, Sarah, and Laura, and great granddaughter, Jessica. Dear brother of Henri Augusteijn, Amsterdam. Jan was born in Axel, Holland, graduated cum laude in 1937 as a mining engineer from Delft University and immediately joined the Royal Dutch Shell in the Exploration Department, serving in Roumania, Egypt, Nigeria, Holland, the United States, Colombia, Ecuador (where he married Eleanor), and lastly in Venezuela. He began in seismology, but when he retired in 1962 he was General Manager of the Western Division in Venezuela. On retirement Jan and Eleanor moved to Haliburton where he had a small hobby farm and was one of the dedicated group who started the highly successful Haliburton School of Fine Arts. In 1986 when his daughter and family settled in Caledon East, Jan and Eleanor moved to the same area. Highly regarded, he will be missed by his many friends worldwide. The family received their friends in the chapel of Meadowvale Crematorium 2nd Line West (Chinguacousy Road, south of Steeles Avenue), Brampton on Monday, March 3 from noon until time of funeral service at one o'clock. Followed by cremation. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Headwaters Health Care Centre Campaign, 32 First Street, Orangeville, L9W 2E1. Arrangements by the Egan Funeral Home, Bolton (905-857-2213).

AT REST
SPEIRS, NORMA (nee Cleggett): Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, February 25, 1997 in her 70th year. Beloved wife of Douglas Speirs. Loving mother of Fay of Campbellford, Bob Groat of Wildfield, Donna of Honeywood, Dennis of Thornton, Melvin of Sandhill and Ross of Simcoe. Fondly remembered by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and by her brothers Bud and Gary Cleggett and sisters Ester, Marian and Donna. Friends and family called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Thursday, February 27, 1997 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Friday morning, February 28, 1997 at 11 o'clock. Spring interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family. A Ladies Auxiliary Legion Service was held at the Funeral Home on Thursday afternoon, February 27, 1997 at 2:30 o'clock.
CA